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# ITALIAN ELEVENTH ARMY SUFFERS ROUT

## NAZIS WARN OFF TURKEY

A warning to Turkey that she is "no longer master of the Balkans as she was 30 years ago," has been given in authoritative German circles, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten" yesterday.

The same circles stress that Germany's relations with Greece are still unchanged.

The correspondent adds that the Wilhelmstrasse is still most reserved concerning the present German - Yugoslav conversations but the traditional friendship between the two countries is emphasised.—Reuter.

## Greeks Capture 2,000 Prisoners And War Materials

**GREEK TROOPS COMPLETELY ROUTED THE ITALIAN 11TH ARMY ON THE 30-MILE WIDE MOSHOPOLIS - TEPELINI SECTOR OF THE ALBANIAN FRONT DURING SATURDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT. ACCORDING TO REPORTS RECEIVED YESTERDAY BY REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT ON THE ALBANIAN FRONTIER.**

Two thousand prisoners are reported to have been taken, together with a large quantity of war material, including arms and light artillery.

Reports state that the R.A.F. and the Greek Air Force greatly contributed to the success of the operations.

## JAPAN'S ADVANCE SOUTH

Japan's advance southward has been spurred on by the British and American policy of aiding the Chungking regime and antagonising Japan, declared the Tokyo "Nichi-Nichi Shimbun" yesterday.

The newspaper continues: "Britain and Australia believe Japan will begin to move south in concert with Germany's Spring offensive but Japan's move south began when Japan announced the necessity for constructing an East Asiatic sphere."

It declares that rumours that conditions in the Far East are assuming serious proportions are only strategical British propaganda and it describes the United States Government's advice to American residents to evacuate the Far East as one of the causes of "such wild and groundless rumours."

THE NEWSPAPER CONCLUDES: "SO LONG AS AMERICA HINDERS JAPAN'S ADVANCE SOUTHWARD SHE IS DESTINED TO ENCOUNTER JAPAN'S STOUT OPPOSITION." — REUTER.

felt sure they would get it. Mr. Hopkins planned to report to President Roosevelt last night. — Reuter.

## Situation Grave, But Not Alarming

"Although the situation is grave I see nothing that need alarm or even seriously disturb a resolute people."

This statement was made in a broadcast by the Australian Attorney-General and Navy Minister, Mr. W. M. Hughes, from Sydney yesterday.

Mr. Hughes said the joint statement by the Acting Prime Minister and the Opposition Leader last week seriously disturbed the Australian people and may even have made them a little nervy.

Mr. Hughes added: "This will pass." — Reuter.

The daring and skill of the British and Greek airmen created the greatest enthusiasm among the Greek land forces.

The Greeks claim to have made another big drive in the gorges of the Predealje front, between Klissoura and Tepelini, on the centre of the battle front. The Greek pursuit of the enemy continues.

### Artillery Duel

A duel with occasional artillery fire is reported from the extreme northern sector of the front, where extensive Italian troop movements have been noted, probably in order to relieve these front line detachments with fresh troops in preparation for attempts to stiffen resistance.

"The Greek offensive in Albania is proceeding according to the plans of the Greek High Command and news from the front is good," stated Athens radio last night.

The announcer continued: "Success crowned the offensive action (Continued on Page 16)"

## VICHY'S BIG THREE

A message received in New York from Vichy yesterday stated that the new Government reorganisation is reported to be placing virtually all State powers in the hands of a military triumvirate comprising Marshal Petain, Admiral Darlan and General Huntziger.—Reuter.

### EX-KING ALFONSO HAS QUIET DAY

A bulletin issued in Rome last evening stated that the condition of ex-King Alfonso of Spain has not worsened during the past 24 hours and he passed a fairly quiet day.—Reuter.

## IMPORTANT PRESSURE DECISIONS ON KEREN

A MEETING BETWEEN GERMAN AND BULGARIAN LEADERS IS EXPECTED SHORTLY SAYS THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE SWISS NEWSPAPER "NATIONAL ZEITUNG"

THE CORRESPONDENT ADDS THAT POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES BELIEVE IMPORTANT DECISIONS ARE IMMINENT.—REUTER.

### HUNT FOR MAN OF ROYAL SCOTS

Private Comigan, of the Royal Scots, is reported to have "escaped from military custody" at 8.55 p.m. last Wednesday, according to a report made to the Police.

THE CONCENTRATION OF ADDITIONAL TROOPS AROUND KEREN, IN ERITREA, IS PROCEEDING SATISFACTORILY, WHILE THE ADVANCE OF THE NORTHERN COLUMN CONTINUES, SAYS A BRITISH GENERAL HEADQUARTERS COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN CAIRO YESTERDAY.

The British have reoccupied the frontier post of Kurnuk, in Abyssinia, the communique continues, and in Italian Somaliland operations continue for the development of the British success at Kismayu.—Reuter.

The soldier has not yet been traced.

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# MASSIVE R.A.F. RAID ON RUHR

## Large Scale Attack On Oil Installations

### GERMAN VERSION OF WEEK-END WAR IN THE AIR

THE INFLICTING OF severe damage on two merchant ships on Saturday in the Thames Estuary and in the Humber by German reconnaissance planes was mentioned in the German High Command communique yesterday.

It also states that military long-range guns shelled "important military objectives" in south-east England on Friday and Saturday, and German dive-bombers attacked British bases in Cyrenaica with heavy calibre bombs.

Concerning Saturday night's raids on Britain the communique says considerable German bomber formations attacked south-east England, the Midlands and shipping targets.

Several aerodromes are stated to have been set on fire and stationary planes destroyed.

Damage to dock installations on the Thames and in a West Coast harbour is claimed.

Two merchant ships totalling 8,000 tons are stated to have been sunk, another set ablaze and a bomb hit a light cruiser.

The communique continues that attempts by the enemy to fly into occupied territory were repulsed on the coast and two British

fighters and three bombers lost in aerial combat.

#### Thus And Thus

It adds that a small number of high explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped in western Germany on Saturday night by the enemy but no important damage was done.

The communique concludes: "During these flights over German territory and night attempts to raid occupied territory German night fighters shot down four planes. One was brought down by A.A. fire. Thus the total loss to the enemy amounted to 19 planes. One German plane is missing." — Reuter.

### FLYINGBOAT "CLYDE" SUNK IN HURRICANE

The British flying-boat Clyde was sunk in the River Tagus at Lisbon on Saturday during the hurricane which swept the Portuguese capital, it is learned in London.

The Clyde recently was employed in the West African service of British Airways. — Reuter.

## Attention Also Given To Aerodromes

OBJECTIVES IN THE WESTERN RUHR WERE THE MAIN TARGETS OF A CONSIDERABLE ATTACK BY BRITISH BOMBERS ON SATURDAY NIGHT, SAYS AN AIR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE.

Targets included oil installations, an inland port and aerodromes, a large number of high explosive bombs being seen to explode in the target areas, causing many large fires.

## HOW DESERT WAR PROBLEMS WERE OVERCOME

A DESCRIPTION was given in London yesterday of the long study of factors in desert patrolling which led to the outstanding success of British mechanised forces in the Libyan Desert.

During the ten years before the war various types of army vehicles were tested under desert and northern African conditions.

It has been found that big, over-sized low pressure tyres are an absolute necessity in any car for desert use.

In fact what is wanted is a motor car with a powerful, simple engine and very large tyres.

Constant maintenance of tyres at low pressure is important in desert motoring. As one drives across hot and bumpy sands play of the walls of tyres generates great heat and consequently tyre pressures mount.

As the tyre gets harder so does the surface in contact with the ground decrease and the tendency is for the tyre to dig into the sand instead of rolling over it.

#### Cooling System

Water is conspicuous by its absence. A very meagre supply is needed for drinking rather than for cooling motor cars or for washing. Hence cooling-systems for cars had to be designed on a much more generous basis than those required in Europe.

In addition, by fitting a simple condenser, it was possible if a car boiled to save water by allowing the steam to cool off in the wind and condense back as water into the radiator.

It was found also that large air filters were necessary, carburettors being constantly filled up by blowing sand.

These were the main points in the perfect desert car but above all the engine had to be reliable and the whole mechanism as robust and simple as possible. Yet even with such a car it was inevitable that one should occasionally get completely bogged in sand.

#### Out Of Pockets

So every desert car is equipped with a couple of channels either of zinc or hard rubber which can be slipped under the driving wheels so that one can get out of a pocket of soft sand.

Spades for digging out a car and rope ladders for laying a track across particularly soft bits are quite ordinary items of equipment.

As distances to be covered are very great and there are no refuelling points and few water points every inch of space on vehicles must be carefully thought out and utilised to the best advantage. — British Wireless.

## AIR LOSSES OVER BRITAIN

DURING THE WEEK ENDING MIDNIGHT ON SATURDAY TWELVE GERMAN AND THREE BRITISH AIRCRAFT WERE DESTROYED OVER BRITAIN.

The daily figures were:—

	German	British
Feb. 9	3	—
Feb. 10	1	—
Feb. 11	—	—
Feb. 12	1	—
Feb. 13	—	—
Feb. 14	1	1
Feb. 15	6	2

The British fighter lost on Feb. 14 was the first destroyed in the fighter patrol area since January 4, that is, in 41 days. — Reuter.

## DE L'ONCLE EMERGES

EUGENE DE L'ONCLE, WHO WAS THE LEADER OF THE NOTORIOUS CAGOUARDS (HOODED MEN) IN 1937, IS NOW HEAD OF THE NEW NAZI-INSPIRED FRENCH PARTY, THE RASSEMBLEMENT NATIONAL POPULAIRE, SAYS A MESSAGE TO THE INDEPENDENT FRENCH NEWS AGENCY IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

De l'Oncle was the first man to be arrested when the Fascist rising by the Cagouards was nipped in the bud just three years ago.

He was charged with storing German and Italian arms in readiness for an attempt at insurrection against the Popular Front Government then in power. — Reuter.

## BRIDGE BOMBED

ACTIVITIES OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE DURING THE WEEK-END INCLUDED THE BOMBING OF A PONTOON BRIDGE BETWEEN GOBWEIN, IN ITALIAN SOMALILAND, AND JUMBO. Several pontoons were hit and the

The port of Rotterdam was also attacked. Bombs were seen to burst in the dock area.

Other bombers carried out a successful and sustained routine attack on the docks at Boulogne, where many large fires were started.

From all these operations two British aircraft are missing.

Coastal Command aircraft also raided the docks at Calais at night without loss.

From other operations of the Coastal Command on Saturday three British aircraft are missing.

#### Activity Over Britain

There was some activity over Britain yesterday by single enemy aircraft, says an Air Ministry communique.

British fighters shot down an enemy fighter into the sea off the south coast in the morning. Bombs have been dropped at three points in the London area and in some places in eastern and south-eastern England and the Home Counties. — Reuter.

## BARRISTERS APPOINTED MAGISTRATES

FOLLOWING THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. H. G. SHELDON, K.C., AS FIRST MAGISTRATE OF HONG KONG AT THE BEGINNING OF LAST YEAR, GOVERNMENT HAS SELECTED TWO MORE LOCAL BARRISTERS TO SIT ON THE BENCH OF THE LOWER COURTS OF THE COLONY.

The two well-known barristers to be appointed are Mr. H. C. Macnamara and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson who have been assigned to the Kowloon Magistracy to fill the vacancies created by the transfer of Mr. E. Himsforth and Mr. K. M. A. Barnett to the War Taxation Office.

## FRENCH CABINET MEETING

The French Cabinet met in Vichy yesterday afternoon under Marshal Petain.

It discussed questions concerning the production of raw material and unemployment and family life, it was stated.

M. Peyrouton's resignation as Minister of Interior and his appointment as French Ambassador to the Argentine were officially announced in the afternoon.

His ministerial duties it was added, have been transferred to Admiral Darlan. — Reuter.

Wire entanglements were also bombed and a blockhouse was destroyed. — Reuter.

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## ARMED YOUTHS DISTRIBUTE SELASSIE PAPER

(By Reuter's Correspondent in Abyssinia)  
ABYSSINIAN NEWSBOYS armed with spears and rifles are now distributing free the first national Ethiopian newspaper printed in the country for five years.

The newspaper, entitled Bandarachen, ("our Flag"), is being published in Abyssinia's Fleet Street in the forests of the Gojjam Highlands. It is bordered with the Ethiopian colours and is headed with an impression of the Lion of Judah.

During a forced trek through the bush I caught up with a camel convoy commanded by a young British officer who was formerly an engineer.

He gave me food and shoes and told me his unit was an Ethiopian propaganda one composed of strange camel trains that cross the Abyssinian lowlands to Gojjam.

His 60 camels carried a printing press, a complete newspaper staff, bundles of newsprint, boxes of Amharic type, some of which had been salvaged after the Abyssinian war, the Emperor's standard bearing the Royal seal and Ethiopian coloured boxes of silver dollars.

### Published Weekly

For some time pamphlets like these distributed by the R.A.F.

## SEEK ERSATZ CORSET

(BY A Special Correspondent.)

Madam, do you know that 3,000 tons of steel are used every year to make your corsets?

That is one of the reasons why the Board of Trade has restricted the sale of corsets by half.

But the corset manufacturers are experimenting to find a substitute — possibly fibre — for your corset bones.

At a meeting of corset manufacturers a woman doctor, well-known as a gynaecologist, told of the importance of good corsetry to women's health.

"If corsets are taken from women, there will be many minor ailments, such as chronic backache and fatigue, to add to the strains of British housewives and mothers in wartime," she told a reporter.

### Not a Luxury

Now that women are doing war work, they are living under a constant muscular strain.

"To combat this," said the doctor, "they need good support in the shape of a foundation garment."

"If we cannot wear corsets, or belts, we must use garters to keep our stockings up, and garters are harmful, causing varicose veins."

The Government recognizes that corsets are a necessity, and not a luxury, by supplying them to the women's services.

"We hope that the Board of Trade will reconsider their decision," a corset manufacturer said. "We are trying to find a substitute for the steel used in making corsets."

"The manufacture has been cut so much that many women will have to go without corsets."

## ITALIAN GENOA CASUALTIES

Italian casualties in the British bombardment of Genoa on February 9, according to the official Italian news agency yesterday, totalled 144 killed and 272 injured.—Reuter.

## COUPLE DIE TOGETHER

A wealthy architect, Mr. Alfred Felix de Parmentier Worsfield de la Bere, and his wife, have been found dead in bed, locked in each others arms, in a gas-filled room at their flat in Vernon Terrace, Brighton.

When the discovery was made they had apparently been dead for two or three days.

Mr. Worsfield de la Bere, who was forty, added his wife's name to his own on their marriage two years ago. The couple were regarded as devoted to each other.

Mrs. de la Bere was thirty years of age. She was the daughter of a Devonshire clergyman, the late Rev. John de la Bere.

Her husband had only recently recovered from a serious operation. About two months ago he volunteered for the Army and was commissioned.

The couple were found dead when the maid burst into their bedroom. A length of rubber tubing led down towards the bed from a gas jet.

They were last seen alive when they went out for a walk with their dog. The dog has not been seen since.

## SENATE DEBATE ON WAR AID

ADMINISTRATION LEADERS HINTED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WILL PROBABLY REQUEST \$1,000,000,000 IN APPROPRIATIONS AND CON-TRACT AUTHORITY TO BUILD PLANES, SHIPS, TANKS, GUNS AND MUNITIONS IMMEDIATELY THE AID BRITAIN BILL IS APPROVED.

It is predicted that the Senate, which begins to debate the Bill to-day, will approve the measure with some amendments within a fortnight. A comfortable majority of votes in favour is expected.—Reuter.

## KEEP BED FOR YOU SIR, (ONLY 5d. TO YOU)

CHILDREN, SOME OF THEM under five, have founded a new war service — bagging shelter accommodation for relatives and clients in the London Tubes.

In many cases the children are seeking safety for families as large as fifteen. Their charges range up to 4d. or 5d. per space.

The more comfortable and less draughty spots are monopolised by older boys, who charge as high as 9d. and 1s. These youngsters have regular customers. No wonder.

You can see them any day, hanging around Underground stations, barred to them until "after school hours."

They stand for hours during heavy air-raids so that they may keep the places they have reserved for their parents and others who cannot themselves stand in queues so early.

Children are released from school early so that they may go and save shelter accommodation for their elders.

### For His Grannie

In many cases they do not go to school at all.

If they take cover during air-raids and go to shelters, as they are advised, they lose their place in the shelter queues.

Sydney Scuddage, aged thirteen, whose mother has a crippled arm, of East Acton, told a reporter:—

"I have stood for hours outside Tube stations. Sometimes I miss school."

"Policemen have advised me to take shelter in air-raids. When I have done so I have found my place has been taken in the queue."

Dennis Giggs, aged ten, of Kensington, has been protecting sleeping room in one London Tube for his grandmother, grandfather and relatives for more than a month after they were all bombed out of their various homes.

## DEATH OF MOTHER MARY MOTTA

Mother Mary Motta, of St. Mary's School, died at St. Francis Hospital yesterday after a long illness, at the age of 38.

She was a most beloved member of the Staff of St. Mary's School and had been in the Colony for 10 years.

The funeral took place this morning at 10.30 a.m.

## R.A.F. FOIL MURDER IN SKY

Spitfires formed themselves into a bodyguard and "escorted" a parachuting R.A.F. pilot to the ground, when he baled out during an air battle over Kent.

The new "encirclement policy" has been adopted by the R.A.F. to prevent German planes machine-gunning any more of our men after they have baled out.

Recently a Messerschmidt dived time after time to gun an R.A.F. pilot as he drifted slowly to the ground. The pilot was dead when he landed.

Towards the end of the battle a pilot was seen to bale out.

While a Messerschmidt lurked high in the air, Spitfires flew in a nose-to-tail circle round the falling airman.

"They started to circle round him almost as soon as his parachute opened at a great height," an eye-witness told a reporter. "And they didn't leave him for a moment until he was safely on the ground."

"All the time the Messerschmidt hovered high in the sky — seemingly waiting for a chance to repeat the last murder."

## BOMB CURED PARALYSIS

Trying to save herself from a bomb which fell near her as she sold flags in the street has cured a woman of paralysis. She is Miss Lily Townsend, of Randolph Gardens, Maida Vale, W.

Since last February she had been partially paralysed in her left arm as a result of a fall, and to help Westminster Hospital, where she was treated, she sells flags in the street.

Now she is in hospital again — but with her paralysis cured by a bomb. It fell while she was pinning a flag on a girl's costume.

Miss Townsend was thrown to the ground and her right shoulder, right arm and right side was injured.

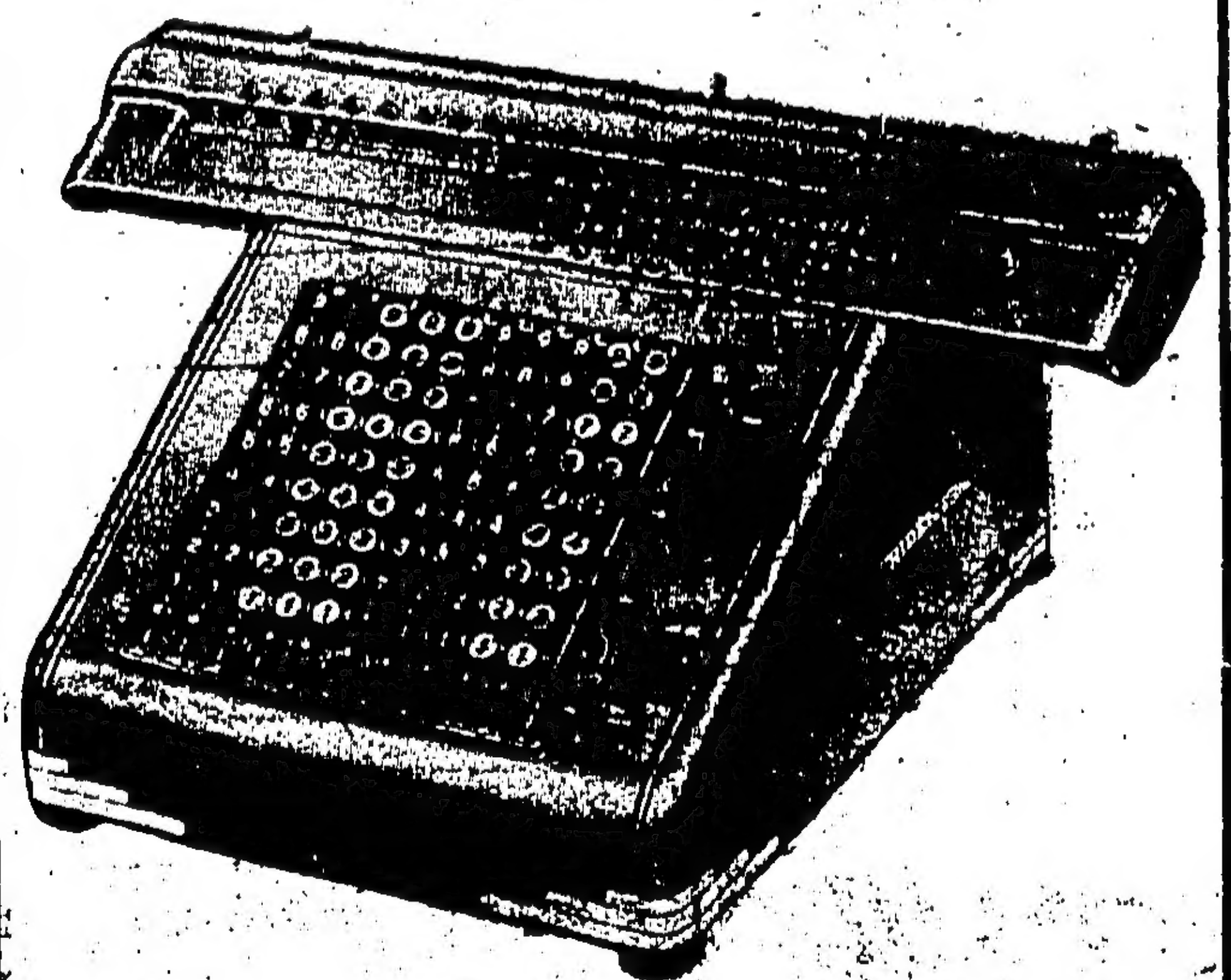
But when she regained her senses she found that her injuries had cured her paralysed left arm.

"In her joy she waved the pin about," said an official of the hospital.

"She has since been examined by surgeons, who now think the paralysis was due to an adhesion, and that in her fall when the bomb burst she unconsciously used her paralysed arm to save herself, and so cured the previous injury."

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# R.A.F. BLITZ ON THE DODECANESE

THE R.A.F. "BLITZ" on the Dodecanese island of Rhodes continued on Friday night, it was revealed in Cairo yesterday, and switching again from aerodrome targets our heavy bombers carried out a second attack on harbour installations.

Bombs fell among buildings at Lindos harbour and started a number of fires. The "blitz" is now in its second week.

R.A.F. cooperation in the Greek offensive on Saturday also included offensive patrols in the Tepelini area, according to a communiqué.

The South African Air Force, having gained virtual air supremacy over Italian Somaliland, continues to hammer away at the retreating enemy with remorseless energy.

Aircraft which on Saturday harassed the Italians in the Jelib Omo River area also machine-gunned motor transport vehicles between captured Kismayu and the next big port of Mogadiscio, as well as a number of grounded Italian aircraft.

## Tale Of Punishment

These attacks followed equally successful operations on Friday and continue the tale of punishment preceding the capture of Almadu and Kismayu, which is made the feature of another special communiqué issued in Cairo yesterday.

British ground troops facing the enemy at Almadu, Bardera and near Kismayu were greatly heartened by the fierce aerial onslaught.

The accuracy of the South Africans' bombing and machine-gunning was confirmed by subsequent inspection.

In Abyssinia on Saturday a large motor transport park at Desie was successfully attacked from the air, while in Eritrea the R.A.F. continued to attack enemy troop concentrations, motor transport and other military objectives.

Hangars and workshops at Mai Adaga were bombed and a number of fires and explosions caused.

Two aircraft are missing from Saturday's operations over Rhodes, Albania and Italian East Africa.

## Albania Raids

Further heavy raids on enemy positions in the area to the north of Klissoura, in Albania, were made by R.A.F. bombers on Saturday in spite of unfavourable weather.

Military camps, supply dumps and gun emplacements were effectively bombed.—Reuter.

## SISTERS WED SIX HOURS AFTER 'PHONE CALL

Not until the telephone bell rang at six o'clock in the morning did two sisters know that it was to be their wedding day.

The phone message told them that their soldier bridegrooms, having been given last-minute leave, had travelled overnight for the double wedding. This took place six hours later at a Newcastle-on-Tyne parish church.

Twenty-year-old Marie Lillian Jensen married Lance-Corporal Richard Baines, of the Border Regiment.

Her twenty-two-year-old sister Ellenor became the bride of Private William Jamieson, of the Royal Corps of Signals.

The girls, whose home is in Heaton Road, Newcastle, were both born in Denmark.

"Before the boys telephoned we did not know whether it was to be a single wedding, a double wedding, or just a party for the guests," their mother told a reporter.

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## DISEASE HE FOUGHT KILLS HIM

Sir Henry Head, the neurologist, has died at his Reading home at the age of seventy-nine, from the disease which he fought throughout his career — trembling paralysis.

The disease, also known as Parkinson's Disease, is characterised by trembling movements, tending to become more widely diffused throughout the body.

Sir Henry, who was the world's greatest authority on the disease, was one of the most heroic of martyrs to medical research.

Thirty-one years ago he deliberately risked paralysis by undergoing a dangerous experiment upon his nervous system. He undertook to have the nerves of his left arm severed near the elbow in order to study the problem of "deep sensibility," and he chronicled his feelings each day.

Out of this experiment specialists were able to acquire considerable knowledge as to how messages are transmitted from the nerves to the brain. It has led to new forms of surgery being developed in the treatment of nervous diseases.

Subsequently Sir Henry became afflicted with Parkinson's disease and he became a cripple.

Medical men from all parts of the world corresponded with him on abstruse problems of neurology, and as Sir Henry gradually lost the use of his hands his wife undertook all his correspondence and handled his reference books for him.

## FASHIONABLE — ON NOTHING

In a bare little room in a back street in Lisbon, Portugal, a young French dress designer from one of the most famous Paris fashion shops is living as a refugee.

She has scarcely any money, and she has rationed herself to make her funds eke out.

During the day she walks about the streets. She does not go far, for that would give her too big an appetite. She spends her time window-gazing to keep in touch with current fashions, until friends in America help her to join them.

She is typical of the French women refugees in Lisbon.

Homeless, almost penniless, they somehow still manage to look fashionably dressed.

As they walk along the streets teeming with the peoples of every nation, you can still pick them out, immaculate, tasteful, smart.

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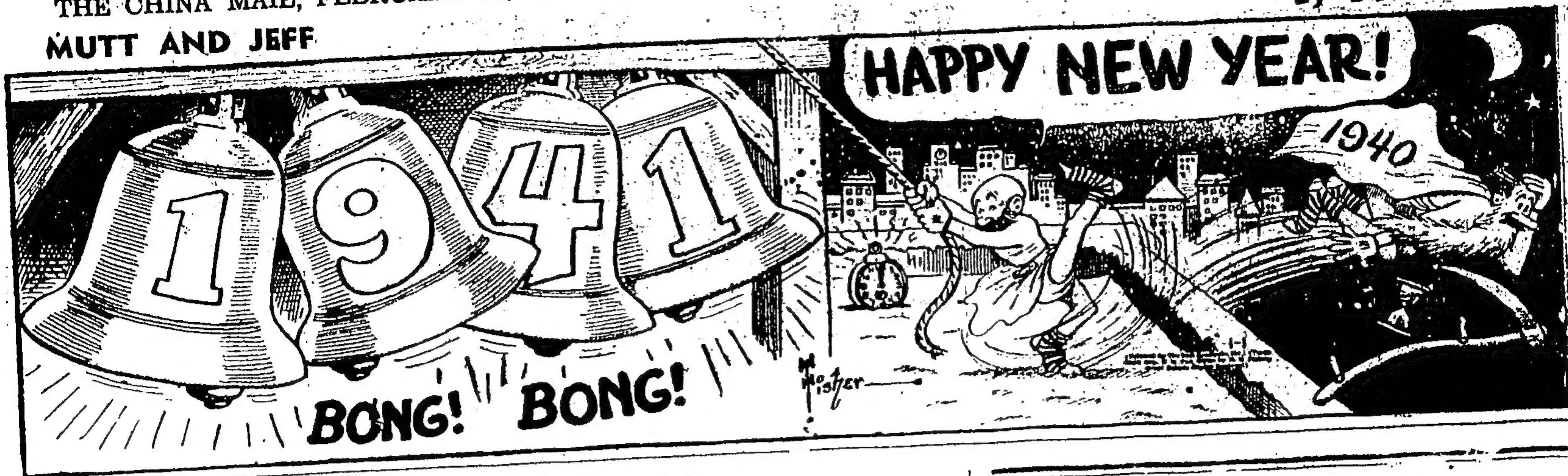


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# NAZI ATTEMPT TO OBLITERATE ALL TRACE OF POLISH LIFE

DESPERATE ATTEMPTS are being made by the Germans to remove all traces of Polish life in the western part of Poland, says a Reuter correspondent.

Even memorials and tomb-stones in cemeteries are being taken away and cemeteries are being ploughed up or turned into public parks.

The statues of many famous Poles are being removed by order of Dr. Franck, Nazi Governor of Poland.

Among them is the statue of Marshal Poniatowski, one of the most famous of Napoleon's marshals, who committed suicide after the Battle of Leipzig.

His statue stood in Pilsudski Square, the principal open space in Warsaw, where it was set up

in 1923 after it had been brought back from Russia.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by Marshal Foch, who was then created a Polish Marshal.

The whereabouts of the statue is not now known. The statue of Copernicus, owing to his world renown, has not been destroyed but the Polish inscription has been erased and replaced by a German one. — Reuter.

## R.A.F. GIVE HUNS TEA—COLD!

A bomber squadron in the north of England has just presented the Germans with cold tea.

The squadron, unable to buy vacuum flasks, had taken hot tea in beer and whisky bottles wrapped in coats and mufflers.

But when the crews reached their objective in Germany the tea was cold. Disappointed, the airmen threw the bottles overboard.

When this story became known in the area where the squadron is stationed, local Rotary Clubs and Round Table organisations set out to find vacuum flasks for the boys.

Using precious petrol coupons, members and their wives combined chemists' and hardware shops for fifty miles around. Vacuum flasks, long and short, thin and fat, began to pour into the bomber station.

"We are grateful," one airman told a reporter. "Only the air crews know how cold long-distance night flights can be in winter."

"We look forward to a hot drink during the flight. None of us take spirits when 'on business.' Tea or coffee is nectar."

"Apart from the difficulty of buying vacuum flasks just now, so many are broken during flights that replacement is a problem."

A Rotarian said: "We had a stroke of luck in our search for flasks. My wife discovered a village chemist with a stock of two dozen. At first he would not sell us the lot. But when he knew they were for the R.A.F. boys he even allowed discount."

## BRITISH MISSION IN VENEZUELA

The British mission which has been visiting Latin-America under the leadership of Lord Willingdon has concluded a five-day visit to Venezuela, during which its members were guests of the Government and were lavishly entertained by the many friends of Britain's cause.

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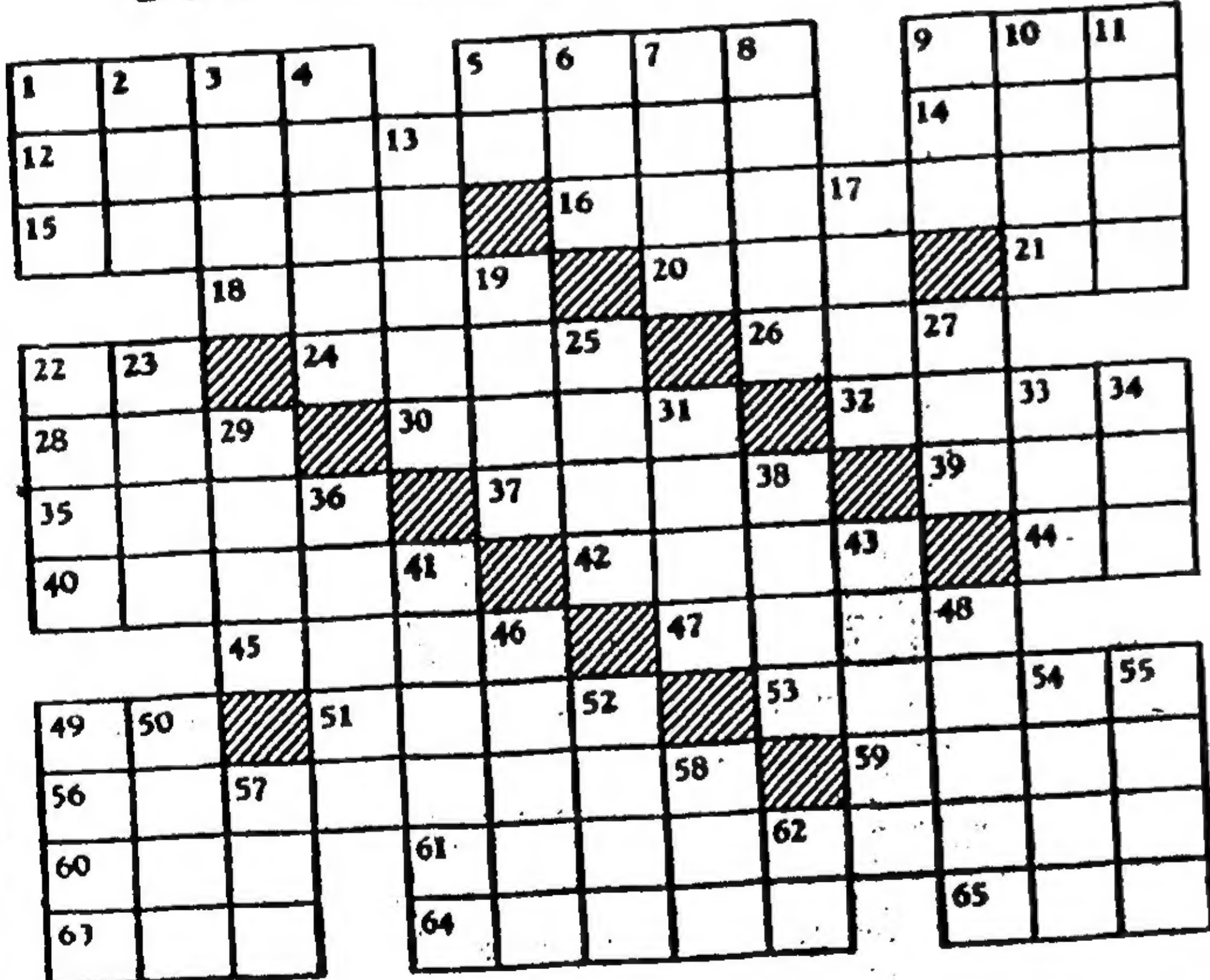
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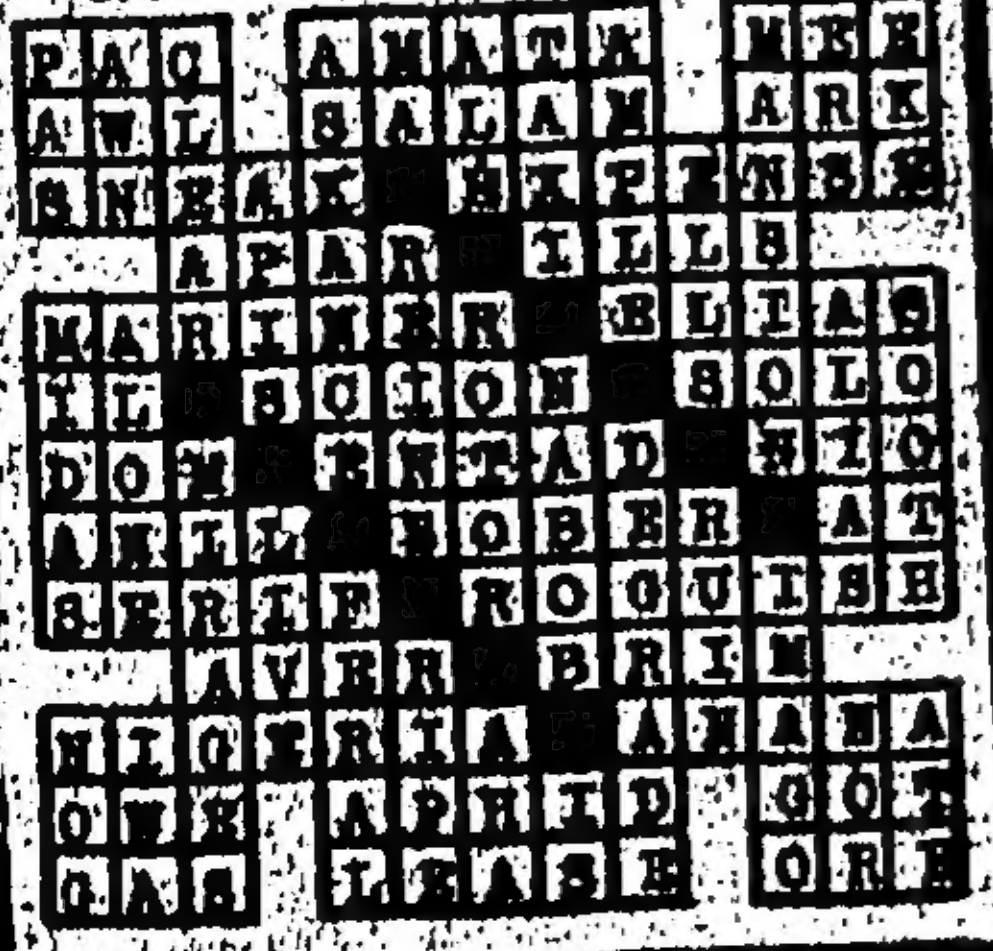
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# DIED SAVING PAY CHEQUE AS THE SHIP SANK

(By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

YOU MIGHT CALL THEM the Royal Navy's Memory Corners. The Navy itself is not so sentimental. It calls them Reserved Effects Stores — just departments at Fleet depots.

But in these stores are gathered the treasured possessions of officers and men who have died in the war — little trinkets, photographs, letters, cap ribbons, silk handkerchiefs. . . .

In tiny packages which are worth just nothing at all by the standards of the matter-of-fact world, the trinkets and letters and ribbons and photographs are sent to wives, mothers, sweethearts — who find them priceless.

They are packages of memories to these women, memories with a touch of heartbreak. Reminders of happiness which has gone, but which somehow still proudly lives on.

There are secrets. But the Navy's Memory Corners reveal some stories which can be told.

A widow living in the north of England treasures the photographs and odd trinkets left by her son. She knows he died in action. But she does not know that her boy gave his life so that his pals, escaping from a sinking ship, might get their pay.

### Died — For Their Pay

A cheque which found its way into the Reserved Effects store told the story.

Once a pay cheque is dispatched technically a crew is paid. This rating knew this. He dashed back to get the cheque so that his shipmates would be saved the bother of special pay claims. The cheque was found in his belt as he lay mortally wounded.

A young widow has a compact filled with the most expensive beauty aids and gadgets. Now she will never use them. Her husband was bringing it home to her when he died in action. The gift he sought out to give her a surprise now means memories to the girl he loved.

### Saved Her Ideal

And seamen are so sentimental. In practically every ditty box there are silk handkerchiefs, all deeply perfumed, bought as souvenirs thousands of miles from home. And there are bundles of family snaps.

The picture of an Icelandic beauty adorned the inside of one ditty box; alongside, looking much nicer and more homely, was the snap of a girl — maybe the girl he had married or planned to make his bride.

And there are sniffs which, even among tragedy and heartbreak, bring a smile.

Such as the diary of the young sailor with the proverbial girl in every port — a careful list of his conquests all over the world.

There were, for instance, Olga in Sydney, Nancy in Colombo, Pearl in Shanghai.

Other diaries, lacking in that kind of romance, tell of hard fighting, with heroism between the lines of stories written down with almost schoolboy precision.

Sometimes the men who run these Memory Corners have saved wives and sweethearts from memories which would be bitter.

A kindly captain made sure that a newly married girl did not learn from a batch of letters kept by her sailor husband that he had broken her trust and the trust of another innocent girl, too.

Memory Corner, R.N., holds secrets. This is one of them.

### END FIRST-CLASS, SAYS M.P.

Because of overcrowding of suburban trains during rush hours Mr. Parker (Soc., Romford, Essex) will ask the Minister of Transport to ask the Railway Executive Committee to abolish first-class carriages.

## AUDIENCES RECOGNISE HIM

Screen audiences in London are not good at recognising R.A.F. leaders and the applause does not break out until the commentator has given the name.

There is one exception. Air Chief Marshal Sir Frederick Bowhill, of the Coastal Command, is often applauded as soon as his short, vigorous, determined figure appears on the screen. His projecting eye-brows are another clue to recognition.

Yet Sir Frederick shuns publicity, and after he had been unknowingly filmed for the "March of Time" recently the news had to be broken gently to him.

Sir Frederick's staff, knowing his tastes, sometimes quietly arrange to shield him from publicity.

### Tempestuous Tennis

Three photographers recently learned of his habit of living, not by the clock, but by the barometer. When the glass is set for

## "SHOW SOVIET WRECKED GERMAN AIRCRAFT"

Mr. John Morgan (Soc., Doncaster) is to ask the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Aircraft Production —

"If he will suggest to the competent Soviet Russian authorities that it might be in their interests to accept an offer of a conducted tour of the various dumps of wrecked German aircraft scattered throughout this country with a view to such expert note being taken of the types of machine so dealt with and for any other reason they may consider worth while."

flying weather, Sir Frederick does not appear in public.

When the barometer says gales and storms, he goes off to play tennis, a game at which he is expert.

The photographers, hearing of this, picked a day of tempest and waited by the tennis court. So Sir Frederick's staff quietly arranged for their chief to play in a match elsewhere that day.

He still does not know why he was asked to use a different court, or that while he was winning his match, three photographers were waiting in the gale by a slackened tennis net.

## MANY-STOREY SHELTERS

Suggestions for bomb-proof large multi-storeyed reinforced concrete shelters above or below ground in densely-populated areas are made in a letter sent to Mr. Morrison, Minister for Home Security, by the A.R.P. Coordinating Committee.

# From R.A.F.-By Cupid Air Mail

FLUTTERING TO EARTH from a low-flying R.A.F. plane came a well-padded foolscap envelope bearing this legend:—

"Are you a friend of the R.A.F. boys? If you are, please take the enclosed note to the address on its envelope and oblige the R.A.F. Cupid Air Mail."

It landed on the roof of a surface air-raid shelter on the searoad of a West Country town.

Girls climbed on the shoulders of their boy friends in a hectic scramble to reach the envelope first.

It was shown to me by Private Roy Bennett, whose sister Beryl got there first, writes a reporter. He told me:—

"Lots of people stood round when we opened the fat envelope. Inside we found another long fat envelope, folded lengthwise."

"It was addressed to Miss Dorothy Howard. But the chap who threw it out had got the wrong town for the address was a street in a town some miles down the coast."

"Beryl did not know what to do about it, and suggested we put it in the post, but a man in the crowd said he would be going to business later in the day and would take it to the address."

### To His Wife

When I talked to a group of R.A.F. officers about the Cupid air mail they were suspicious.

"You'll get someone in a deuce of a row," said one of them.

None of them had ever heard of the "R.A.F. Cupid Air Mail."

That's somebody's idea of a joke," said one.

But they knew pilots and air crews often drop messages to relatives or friends.

"When I was at one aerodrome there was a chap who always wanted me to drop a note for his wife when I was likely to fly anywhere near his home town."

"I did it twice, and the first time I forgot the letter. She wrote saying a woman (that it is) had a fat envelope at night after finding it in her garden."

"I'm afraid it's not a very reliable kind of air mail, for the notes are just as likely to fall on roof tops as on the ground."

### BOMB INJURES V.C.

Colonel W. E. Gordon, V.C., G.B.E., late of the Gordon Highlanders, and Major A. Crozier, were rescued badly injured after being trapped in the bombed house in London.

Colonel Gordon, who is seventy-four, won the V.C. in South Africa.



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## THE "NEW (DIS)ORDER"

Denmark and Norway were the first of the nations to be overrun by the Nazi mechanised harbingers of Europe's "new order." Denmark has necessarily accepted what for it is the inevitable. But Norway, with a little more geography on its side, is proving less susceptible to the Nazi threat.

The news now beginning to find its way out of Norway in considerable quantities indicates that unrest has been increasing there for some time. It indicates that similar turmoil characterises the rule of the Nazis over other occupied nations, even though opposition has not yet become so overt or violent as to be observed in neighbouring States with a press still free to report it to the world.

But in Norway, one Nazi writer finds himself reduced to asserting defensively that even Norwegian Nazis "should have a right to exist!" In Western Norway, particularly, a pro-British attitude is marked. And attempts of the Quisling "government" to oust local officials in favour of Nazis appear to be without effect, since the people are reported as ignoring the orders of the central authority.

As long ago as November an acute situation arose between the "government" and the Supreme Court, and in December this culminated in the resignation of the Court. Current reports show the Norwegian Nazis as unable to police the country and say they are compelled to call for German help.

Frequent reports of physical attacks by Norwegians on German police paint a picture that looks like anything but a diagram of order, new or old. The press, no less than many of the people, seems to be maintaining a sullen independence of posed authority for the Norwegian Nazis complain that they cannot get the proper support from the newspapers. Indeed, reports from Sweden say newspapers have had to be suppressed repeatedly for attacking the Quisling outfit.

The German Nazis in Norway evidently are learning that it takes more than might to establish order, more than ter-

Sir Arnold Wilson was a strange man. Broadly speaking, he knew all and all knew him. Deeply speaking, he knew none and none knew him. He was the son of Canon Wilson, who left him a keen love of the classics and a conscience that would not leave him alone.

He was also blessed with that amazing attribute, an unfailing memory. It worried and fretted and badgered his mind. He fed it on whole acts of Shakespeare's plays which he would reel out a year after, never mistaking or misplacing a word, fluently, smoothly and monotonously.

He began life as a regular soldier. He was always conscientious, meticulous, prompt to perform his duty. At Sandhurst he won the King's Medal and the Sword of Honour as the best all-rounder among the gentlemen Cadets of his year. From his brother officers he stood out for the many-sidedness of his interests, his seriousness, his capacity for hard work.

In 1903 he went out to serve in India. He passed from the Army to the Political Service. He was stationed in Persia, acted as British Consul in city after city, pitted his wits against the agents of Tsarist Russia.

He was often alone. He read many books and he stored the knowledge in his mind. While his memory was occupied and his conscience was satisfied Arnold Wilson was happy.

War came to Asia from the West. Wilson went out with the Indian Expeditionary Force to Iraq. The campaign left him with many memories; memories of

fierce endurance and bitter suffering, steamers chugging up the Tigris under the burning sun, of fights high over ruined cities. He went to the war a soldier and a Civil Servant. He came out also an airman.

He went back to his own job when the war was over. He rose high in the Service. They made him Civil Commissioner and Political Resident on the Persian Gulf. He was a rigid administrator and a just one. If he showed little pity for the failings of those he governed it was because he had none for his own. His service completed, Arnold Wilson returned to England. He

By  
A. Beverley Baxter

married and had children. He wrote on many subjects and edited a national review. He was knighted and elected to Parliament. But that relentless conscience still would not let him alone. There was, for example, his duty to help hospitals.

But he could not give them money. So he gave them his blood instead for transfusion. His life had been hard and healthy and vigorous. His blood was rich in certain properties that were in constant demand. Many calls came to him. He answered them all.

At the by-election which returned him to Parliament his Labour opponent was badly hurt in an accident and lay weak from loss of blood. Wilson furnished his own blood at once to remedy the loss. There was a good deal

of comment among people to whom cynicism comes easier than sacrifice. They called it self-advertisement and a cheap vote-catching trick. Nobody who knew the man could have talked that way, for very few people did know him.

When the Europe of between-the-wars, that Europe that spoke so nobly and acted so shabbily, cast up Hitler out of the agony of its suffering, Arnold Wilson went to Germany to study the new movement. He was impressed. He was more than impressed. He was genuinely moved. The apparent self-sacrifice and devotion of Nazism stirred his being. He liked the ruthless efficiency with which it moved to attain its aims. And the dark side of it escaped him... he never saw the wretched thinkers shut away behind the wires or the party bosses swilling champagne on the subscriptions of men and women who went short of bread to pay them.

Back to England he came as an advocate, as the advocate of friendship between Democratic England and Nazi Germany.

It was not his habit to restrain his convictions or to tone his views down. He said and he wrote what he thought, quite indifferent to abuse and serenely impervious to awkward points that were raised against him.

He believed in his case and he argued it until Germany gave her answer. That was in September, 1939.

Arnold Wilson was stunned. It was as if Hitler's blow against civilisation had struck him across the eyes. By chance we met and he poured out his soul to me.

"Because of the wrong done by men like myself," he said, "tens of thousands of young men will die. It is terrible. I believed in Hitler and his creed when I should have been denouncing. I must atone. Somehow I must atone."

He went to the War Office and they offered him an important staff job. He refused and went to the Air Ministry. They said they could use him in the Intelligence. "I must fight," was his answer. He went to the recruiting office of the Royal Air Force and demanded to be examined for his physical fitness. Although 55 years of age he passed every test because one of his axioms was to keep himself absolutely fit.

So he went into action. With the lowest commissioned rank in the Air Force he served as a gunner cooped in a turret intended for the slim bodies of young men. Over the land, over the mountains and over the sea he flew. He fought in the skies over Norway during that disaster. Flying over Germany on those keen spring nights he confronted cold, uncertainty, fatigue, danger. He was as brave as any man and as uncomplaining. But the odds were heavy and the war was going badly.

An anxious House of Commons gathered to hear the Prime Minister. It was one of those debates that historians, dramatists and film producers will be reconstructing till the end of time. It was the debate that brought Chamberlain down. Arnold Wilson rose to speak. He wore his Air Force blue. There were many ribbons on his chest. There he stood earnestly pleading for more restraint, more dignity, while member after member rose to assail the tottering Chamberlain Government.

I saw him and I was astonished at the change. The great frame was almost gaunt, the cheeks sunken, there were warning shadows under his eyes.

And because I loved the man, I went up afterwards and pleaded with him. I took him to my house. I reasoned, argued, tried to persuade. Whatever the atonement he thought necessary he had surely made it now. "It may be," he said. "It may be I have made my atonement. But now something else has happened. It's those boys in my Squadron. They've come to look to me in rather a fine way... I couldn't let them down. You see, when I joined the R.A.F., I took a vow. I swore to serve as a gunner for one year. And as a gunner I must see that year out."

He went away into the black-out and I was left there wondering. Now it happened that two weeks later I was appointed to an important post in the Ministry of Aircraft Production. I needed a man who was experienced and eloquent. A man with forcefulness and strong personality and I thought and thought of Arnold Wilson.

Two things were in my mind. One was that we really needed him. The other was that we must save him from death.

Once more the House of Commons was meeting, meeting in the shadow of mighty happenings and I was certain Arnold Wilson would be there. The Nazi flood was rolling westward. Holland was engulfed. The Belgians had gone under and France was drowning. All those things for which the West had stood were threatened as they had not been threatened since the Goth rattled at the gates of Imperial Rome. The British Army fought its way stubbornly back to Dunkirk. Only our amazing Air Force, sustaining a combat, hopelessly unequal up above the narrow seas, was there to preserve the freedom of men's souls, the liberty of their consciences into ages beyond the computing of men.

So Europe's last free Parliament assembled to hear the new Prime Minister Mr. Winston Churchill. But he was not there. Perhaps after all he had not been able to get leave.

The day wore on towards late evening. I could not sit still listening to the sequence of the back bench speeches. Outside in Parliament Square I bought an evening paper. There was his picture. He looked at me from the front page. A few lines underneath explained that Sir Arnold Wilson, M.P., was missing. His was one of the 'planes over Germany that failed to return.

Arnold Wilson had atoned, and his conscience was at peace.

# Mechanisation Found Key To British Desert Coup

One of the marvels connected with Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell's rapid advance across the desert, through sand storms and cold nights, was the smooth working of the maintenance system that made sustained high speed possible.

Tanks, in particular, demand a high standard of efficiency in this respect. In Britain's armoured divisions, each brigade has its "light recovery" section, its light repair section, and an ordnance field park section, which carries in packets all light material required for use by the regimental light-aid detachments.

Behind all this is the divisional workshop which takes on all the heavy repair work.

This is not the spectacular side of modern mechanised warfare. But neither is gasoline delivery, except perhaps when done the way the Germans sometimes did it in France—by having 'planes bring up gasoline, making a crash landing with it if necessary.

## Vital To Success

These prosaic matters are vital to success, however, and in Britain's sudden desert thrust the organisation of them was as smooth moving as the tanks and armoured cars and trucks themselves.

It was precisely the non-arrival of mechanical transports from Italy, that, according to Marshal Rodolfo Grazia, was responsible for the fact that he had not already attacked the British by the time they attacked him.

Working in close collaboration with the motor battalions, the heavy tanks, the cruiser tanks and other units is another innovation—an elusive machine known colloquially as "the dingo," an Australian term for wild dog.

This little scout car has heavy armoured, bullet-proof tires, a very powerful engine, and a happy capability for running forward or backward at speeds up to 60 miles an hour without turning around.

This unique characteristic enables the driver to advance along a road, and if suddenly made aware of the presence of the

enemy, to shift gears, skew himself round sideways in a self-adjusting seat, and make away at top speed.

This is a vital consideration since the dingo's job is to carry a platoon commander on a personal

By R. Maillard  
Stead

reconnaissance, or convey dispatches at times when the tanks are preserving wireless silence.

## Radio In Every Tank

Because of the speedy intercommunication, essential between the armoured units, a wireless transmitter and receiver are strung out on every tank. At times, however, it is either inappropriate or impossible to use them.

The motor battalion is a new feature of Britain's armoured division, each of which is now a self-contained formation, comprising a proportion of all arms and its supporting services, which are needed for fighting on its own. The motor battalion has important duties to discharge.

It is a force of infantry carried by motor transport, fighting on foot, and required to be capable of doing a long route march in case of necessity.

It has the responsibility for seeing that the tanks are not frittered away in an attack—clearing the way for them, overcoming anti-tank opposition, and making sure that the tank commanders—gentlemen with a prodigious amount to think about—get as much rest as possible—particularly at night when they are "in harbour."

The same considerations apply in withdrawal, and the motor battalion provides an armoured brigade commander with means, under his own administration, of covering his retreat.

General Wavell's whirlwind offensive has been a tale of the Royal Armoured Corps thrusting unexpectedly through to the Italian areas, turning toward the coast to strike from flank and rear, as well as the front, severing com-

munications, throwing supports into confusion, keeping the foe from effective reorganisation by rapid sustained advance of bomber-aided armoured fighting vehicles, while truck-borne infantry rushed up to consolidate the positions gained, to subdue the points of stubborn resistance, and to round up the prisoners.

To appreciate how this new force has come about, one needs to consider a transformation that has taken place in Britain's land forces here and in the Middle East since the fall of France, which cost the British expeditionary force all its mechanical equipment.

The only redeeming feature of the defeat in North France was that it caused compulsory re-equipment of the British Army on absolutely the most modern lines. This process now has been carried so far that military authorities tell me they believe Britain possesses in its Royal Armoured Corps, tanks and other armoured vehicles at least as good as or possibly superior in certain respects to those at Germany's disposal.

## Proof Of Efficiency

Operations in the western desert have provided the first real illustration of what the Royal Armoured Corps' formations can do in attack. In France, the Royal Armoured Corps was responsible for divisional reconnaissance, but it was then—as an eyewitness expressed it—"all over the shop," the Army Tank Brigade being north of the Somme and Britain's only armoured division being south of that river.

Not only were these two components of the corps separated instead of being united in action, but the motor battalion which should have been an integral part of the armoured division, was north of the Somme and certain other detachments were lacking as well.

Despite the persistent threat of a possible invasion of Britain by Germany, many tanks and other equipment have been sent out to Egypt and, to cite Marshal Grazia's report: "It was in the crushing superiority of the armoured units, which were employed en masse, that the reason for the enemy's initial success was to be found."

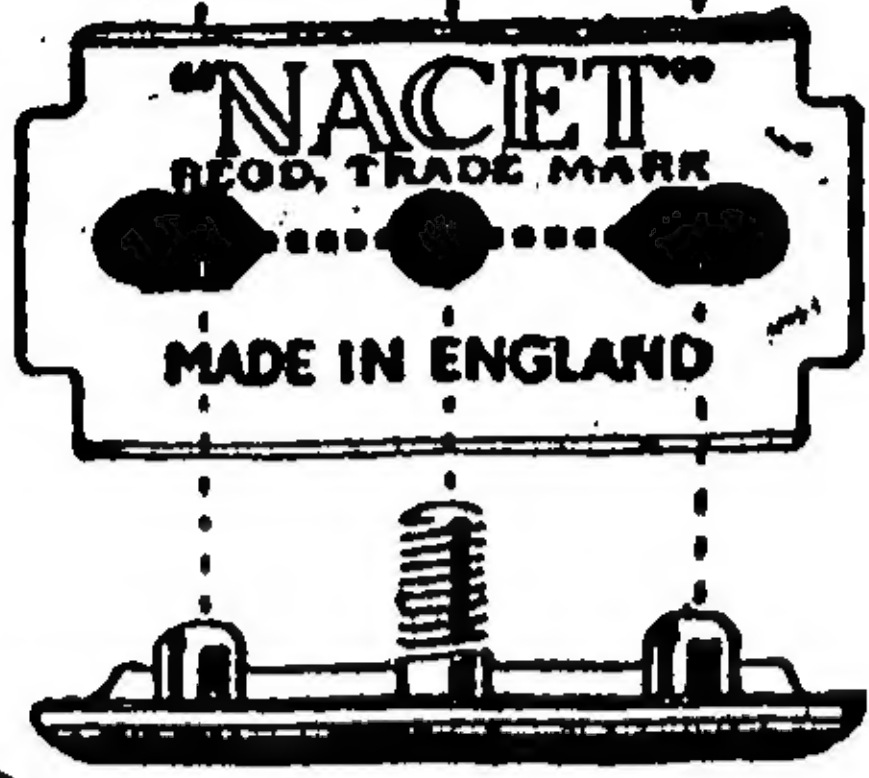
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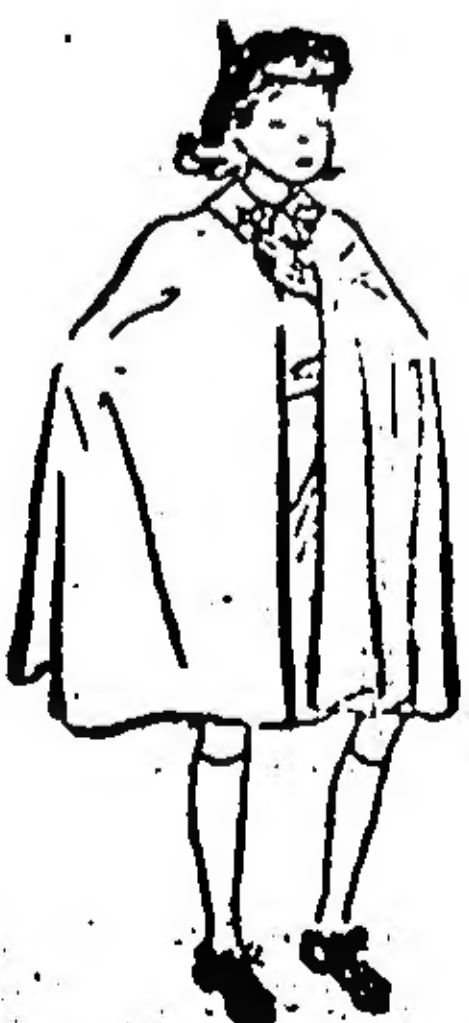
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# Englishwoman In Nazi Gaol Would Not Quit Friends

"TELL MY FAMILY THAT I am well, cheerful and confident; that I am busy in my work at the Y.W.C.A. in Paris and have sufficient funds to face the winter."

This message, telephoned through the Foreign Office, is the last heard by friends in London of Miss May James, fifty-year-old, white-haired Englishwoman arrested by the Gestapo in Paris on charges of espionage and illegal possession of a radio transmitting set.

It was received on September 14. Since then a brief message sent through American friends has trickled to her relatives. "My love to all — I am quite well," it said. It reached England only a few days before her imprisonment was announced.

### Second Nurse Cavell

Miss Florence Buckingham, who was in Paris for ten years with Miss James, said at the Coventry Y.W.C.A. —

"It will be a second Nurse Cavell without even the justification of Nurse Cavell's action if they dare to do anything to Miss James."

"Every one who knew Miss James would tell you that she was absolutely straightforward. I do wish I was with her now in her trouble."

Miss Curwen, national general secretary of the Y.W.C.A., said at London headquarters:—

"If the implications were not so serious, it would be laughable to imagine Miss James as a spy. We have heard from Lisbon that although the Gestapo ransacked the hostel from attic to cellar no such transmitter was discovered."

"When the Germans broke through in France Miss James had her chance to leave Paris. She preferred to stand by the forty English and Americans who were still at the hostel at No. 26, Rue d'Anjou."

Miss Charlotte Niven, former general secretary of the World Y.W.C.A., who met Miss James in Paris every year, gave this word portrait of her:—

"In her smart tailor-made costume coat she epitomised the well-turned-out Englishwoman in Paris. Slender and erect, she looked at you with blue eyes in a direct and straightforward gaze."

"There was nothing subtle about Miss James. She had no time for politics or military secrets. Her sole interest in life was the welfare of women at the hostel."

"As for radio — she had as much knowledge of operating a transmitter as of driving a traction engine. My opinion is that she was more spied upon than spying."

Mrs. Ida Gregory, Miss James's sister-in-law, who lives at Ham Common, near Richmond, said: "Miss James has hundreds of American friends. I am confident that they, and the British Foreign Office, are doing everything in their power, to clear her from this fantastic charge."

### Stay Of Execution

Miss Winifred Harle, the fifty-one-year-old Englishwoman under sentence of death in a Paris prison, lived in Paris and paid rare visits to England. She, too, was a Y.W.C.A. worker.

Miss Harle's aunt, who lives in Shelley Road, Worthing, said that she had written to the Foreign Office pleading for help. So far only a stay of execution has been granted.

Miss Harle and Miss Florence Frickard are accused of spreading pro-British propaganda.

Miss Harle's aunt said that the two women were great friends. She said:—

"It is several years since I saw my niece. Most of her friends are in France. Her father was a solicitor at Southampton. She has no relatives apart from myself and another aunt in Australia."

### NAZI DIPLOMAT SHOT

The body of Richard von Heynitz, German Charge d'Affaires in the Republic of Salvador, has been found in a wood with a bullet in the head. It is believed that he committed suicide.

## SHELTER SQUAD OF WOMEN POLICE

Forty London police-women have been formed into a Girl Protection Patrol to move about the capital to prevent black-out and shelter incidents.

The squad includes an inspector, eight sergeants, and 31 constables.

They are not attached to any division. Their "beat" is the whole Metropolis, and they will patrol from headquarters, in the same way as the "Flying Squad."

The policewomen have been formed into the squad because of the many recent complaints of incidents in the raid shelters and in the blacked-out streets.

### Special Report

Special officers of Scotland Yard who investigated conditions in the Tubes and other shelters at night have recently reported to Sir Philip Game the Commissioner, on the conduct of some people using the shelters.

Sir Philip has also received urgent representations from the London Public Morality Council to provide a full-time watch on the shelters and to appoint more women police to assist in the task.

## BOMB GIFT FOR HITLER

An offer to pay the cost of a half-ton bomb and enough petrol for it to be dropped on Hitler's Berchtesgaden home has been made to Mr. Churchill by Mr. Haldeman-Julius, a book publisher of Girard, Kansas, U.S.A.

He has written to Mr. Churchill, saying: "I will pay the cost of bomb, plus petrol, if you will assign a competent pilot to drop it on the chief butcher's Berchtesgaden habitat, the scene of Hitler's conspiracies against civilisation."

## GANG LEADER IS GAOLED

Said by the police to be leader of a gang of youths, James Arthur Meek (18), a Shoreditch labourer, was at Old Street, sentenced to six months' hard labour.

He pleaded "Guilty" to stealing a quantity of shirts, neckties, pullovers and other articles of clothing, of the total value of £190.

He lived on his own, his parents having been evicted.

"He is the leader of a gang of youths who have been using his room as a clearing-house for goods stolen during the black-out," said a police witness.

# The Yanks Are On The Way

THE YANKS REALLY are coming now — and, in the words of a recruiting sergeant, their tempers are "something awful."

They are pouring across the border to enlist in the Canadian forces because they are in a raging temper with a man named Adolf Hitler, and they want to vent it on him in full.

Sheer fury at Hitler's outrages on London's civilians, and the belief that not even the United States can be God's own country until he is crushed, is the obvious reason for the latest rush of American recruits to the Canadian Colours.

In Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and other big cities Americans are arriving by foot, train and car, all saying in a variety of strong ways: "Let me get at that man Hitler."

Joe Goole, of Pittsburgh, who arrived in Montreal by train, told how nights of bad Hitler dreams made him decide he could never be at peace until he "helped to whip him."

### U.S. Canadians

"I want to get over to Europe as soon as I can," added Joe. "Look at my foot. I feel it was made to kick that guy Hitler in the pants."

In a big Montreal hotel they told how a young man arrived in a chauffeur-driven car with rich friends in other cars.

He threw a big party, then smashed glasses and hurried off to join up.

Major Roy, of the big recruiting centre at Place-Viger Barracks, Montreal, said a day never passes without Americans offering themselves for service.

"Some are college men of good social background, others are working men. All are magnificent," he added.

### Figures Secret

The rush of Americans to serve in the Canadian Royal Air Force is so great that numbers have been turned down until there is room for them.

The Commonwealth Air Training scheme has at least 250 American instructors.

It is impossible to say accurately how many thousands of Americans have enlisted in Canada. Such figures are not revealed and there is an additional difficulty in that so many recruits from across the border give Canadian addresses.

"It is strange how many men with strong New York or Southern accents solemnly announce they were born in Quebec or Ontario," said a Canadian Officer.



THE CHINA MAIL, FEBRUARY 17, 1941.

# WOMEN RUN NAZI H.Q. IN INTERNEE HOTEL

HITLER'S YOUTH Headquarters among the aliens interned in the Isle of Man is a plain-fronted hotel across the island at Port Erin — and it is peopled by women and girls, writes a correspondent.

Visitors are not allowed to enter either Port Erin or Port St. Mary, but the Manx people have permits to move in and out of the camps—which are in reality hotels and boarding-houses—and the majority of residents are still there catering for the aliens. There are about 3,000 women in the two camps. Of these the active Nazis number just over 100.

A form of segregation has been carried out, as in the case of the men's camps, and all the Hitlerites among the women are living together. But they are free to move about among the rest of the internees.

Occasionally there is friction. Locally the 100 are known as the "trouble makers" and the hotel in which they live as "Hitler Youth H.Q."

Frankly these "trouble makers" are a source of trouble, but very shortly they may be placed in much stricter confinement, possibly outside the island.

## 1,000 Pro-Nazis

One Port Erin boarding-house keeper to whom a reporter talked said she regards the women in her house as "paying guests."

They are, of course, billeted at the expense of the Government, but many of the women have private means and are able to buy luxuries freely.

"We get on very well with all of them except the small clique," she said, adding, "they hate everything British."

To-day, too, I have learned more about the men's camps, and on very reliable authority I was given these ratios of the aliens' sentiments:

Strongly pro-British, 60 per cent.  
Neutral, 25 per cent.  
Strongly anti-British, 15 per cent.

This 15 per cent. figure is higher than my investigations so far had indicated. It means that there must be well over 1,000 Nazis and Fascists in the camps.

If that is so, there is still more segregation to be carried out.

The Ramsey camp has been a trouble spot. One political dispute there started by the Nazi element led to a general scuffle, and the guard had to intervene.

This incident, I understand, was attributed to some extent to the fact that it had not then been possible to classify the internees and place together those of similar faiths.

## GREATER RANGE IN THE AIR

A slight increase has occurred in the ranges at which aerial combat takes place, and fighter pilots believe there will be a more marked increase soon.

At one time it was thought that the limit to the effective air-fighting range for a machine-gun was 200 yards; but a change was brought about by the multiplication in the number of guns converging on the same target and by improvements in gun-sights.

The next step up in range will be made when cannon replace or supplement machine-guns. Cannon manufacturers claim that effective fire can be opened at 1,000 yards. Such an increase would be a big advantage; but the necessity for using cannon does not arise from this alone.

It arises also from the need for projectiles that will cope with the self-sealing fuel tanks used by the Germans and with the armour protection given to their pilots.

## SHERIFF KILLED BY BOMB

Mr. G. Percy Trentham, one of the sheriffs of the City of London, was killed in an air raid in London.

Mr. Trentham was elected last year to the Court of Common Council, representing the Bread Street Ward, and was installed as a sheriff last September after having been defeated by a narrow margin in 1939.

He was the head of a firm of public works contractors which bears his name, and a liveryman of the Pavlovers, Cordwainers' and Glovers, Haberdashers' and Liners' Companies.

A fly fisherman of international renown, he had captained the English team on two or three occasions.

"new European order," the correspondent asks:

"Are we really moving towards peace?"

"So the Paris newspapers say."

"On the other hand public opinion — if the views of people shivering in queues before half-empty shops, grumbling about restrictions and complaining of the lack of heating as the temperature sinks to three degrees below zero can be so-called—believes scarcely a word the papers print."—Reuter.

## PARIS LISTENS TO B.B.C. AT NIGHT

"NIGHTS IN PARIS ARE A VERITABLE TUMULT WITH THE BRITISH RADIO BLARING FROM BALCONIES, WINDOWS AND COURTYARDS," WRITES THE PARIS CORRESPONDENT OF THE MADRID NEWSPAPER "YA."

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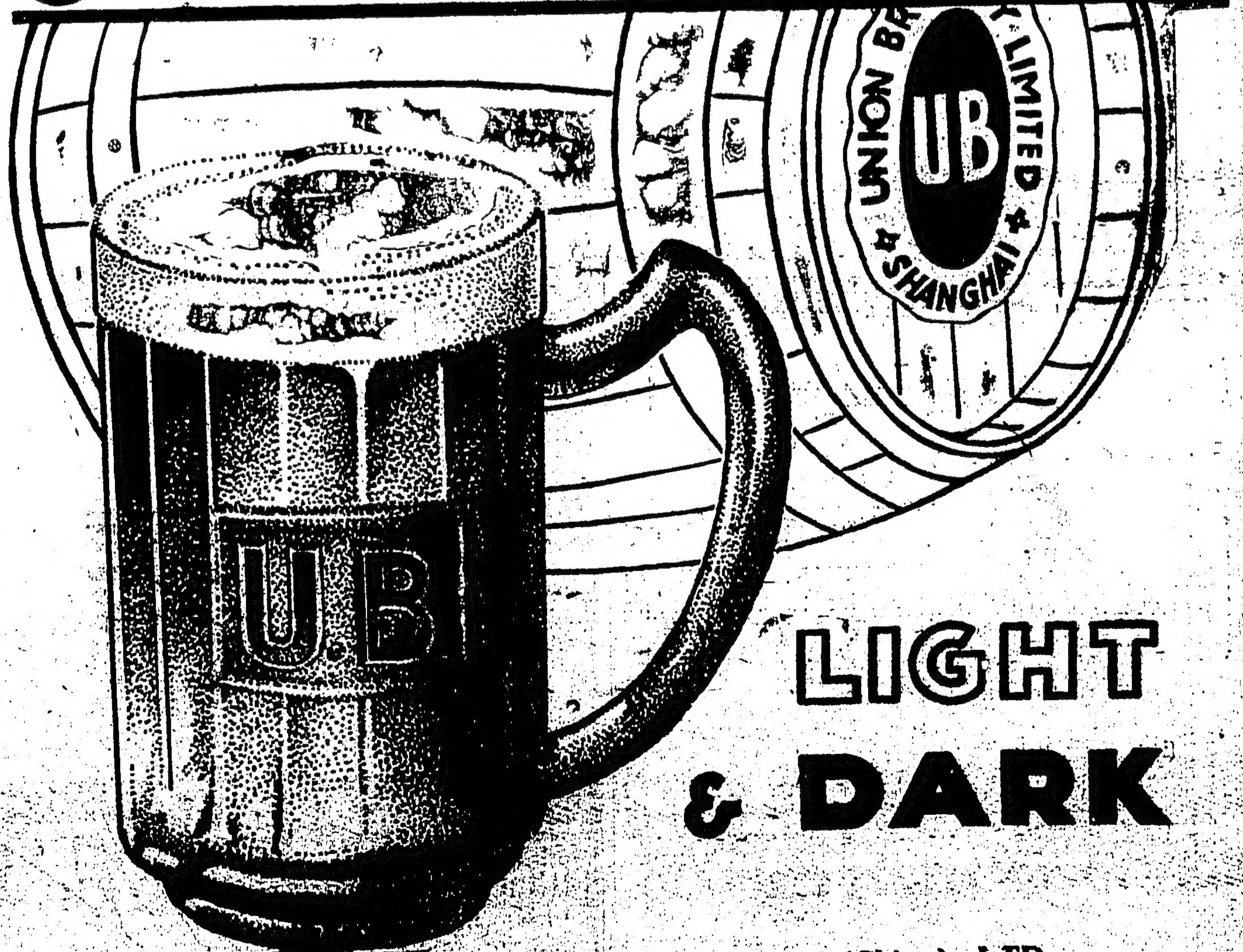
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NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th February, 1941, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940. The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Thursday, the 13th February to Wednesday, the 26th February, 1941 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 9th February, 1941.

**THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 15th March, 1941, at NOON for the following purposes, namely, to consider the annual statement of accounts and the balance sheet and the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon, to elect directors and auditors in the place of those retiring, to declare a dividend, to appropriate the balance of Profit and Loss Account as recommended by the Directors, and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE is also given that the Share Transfer Registers will be closed from 1st March, 1941, to 15th March, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,  
R. A. WICKERSON,  
Secretary & Manager.  
Hong Kong, 14th Feb., 1941.

**PUBLIC AUCTION**

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, THURSDAY, 20th February, 1941, commencing at 10.30 a.m. at their Sales Room, No. 2, Connaught Road, Central, Second Floor.

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**ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1941**

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FIRST DAY—

Monday, 17th February.

SECOND DAY—

Tuesday, 18th February.

THIRD DAY—

Wednesday, 19th February.

FOURTH DAY—

Saturday, 22nd February.

FIFTH DAY—

Saturday, 1st March.

The programme fixed for 15th February will be run off on MONDAY, 17th February, and the subsequent days' programmes in consecutive order.

On Monday, 17th, Tuesday, 18th, Wednesday, 19th, and Saturday, 22nd February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 1st March, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be after the fifth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

**MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES**

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 9.45 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 11.45 a.m. ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffin will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box, (Tel. 21920).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE**

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic-Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffin will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

**SERVANTS' PASSES**

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary  
Hong Kong, 9th February, 1941.

**THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED**

**Notice to Shareholders**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, the 28th February, 1941, at 11.0 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 19th February 1941, to Friday, the 28th February, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. M. MANNERS,  
Secretary & Manager.  
Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1941.

**BRIDGE NOTES**

**BRIDGE SWINDLES — NO. 26**

**By The Four Aces**

The Bridge Swindle executed by West in to-day's hand is not certain to succeed, but is often effective:

North, Dealer  
Neither side vulnerable

♠ 6 5 2  
♥ A Q 10 9  
♦ A 10 9 7  
♣ A J

♠ 9 7 3  
♥ K 8 5 2  
♦ 4 3  
♣ 10 6 5 2

West  
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♠ 4  
♥ J 7 4  
♦ J 8 6 2  
♣ 9 8 7 4 3

♠ A K Q J 10 8  
♥ 6 3  
♦ K Q 6  
♣ A K

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	7♠	Pass

West decided to force the issue at once by leading the eight of hearts. The eight was chosen since that card would seem to be a "top-of-nothing" lead, indicating that

West held no high cards in the suit. West hoped that South would be reluctant to risk the Grand Slam with a finesse on the very first trick, so would look for some other way to make his contract.

And West had his wish, for his lead induced South to put up the heart Ace. Declarer next led out all of his trumps, discarding hearts from the dummy, and then cashed the two top clubs. Finally, South went after his main hope — the diamonds. He could obtain the vital discard if the Jack dropped early, if the suit split 3-3, or if East showed out in time for a finesse through West. But, as it happened, East had the long diamonds, and had carefully saved them all, so South could get no discard and failed to make the Grand Slam.

Note that South would have made his contract if West had led anything but a heart. With any other lead, South would have drawn trumps and postponed the heart play until he had found out about the diamond situation. When he had discovered that the diamonds would not furnish a discard, he would be obliged to take the heart finesse — and would therefore make his contract.

Saturday you were Howard Schenken's partner, and with neither side vulnerable, you held:



Dieting Dot feels that one more holiday feast and she'll again be up against fighting her normal weight.

**SOAP NEEDED FOR SHELTERS**

Supplies of soap and water and provision of artificial sunlight are considered by some doctors to be the most urgent requirements of shelters.

"Gargles and sprays, masks and medicines, all have their advocates but we have yet to meet with any mention of the two most powerful remedies," says a "Medical World" writer.

"The first is soap and water, liberally applied to the shelters, and, if possible, to the shelterers."

"We have ... washing facilities in any shelter, and hope that their absence may soon be remedied. Neither have we seen any trace of even the cheapest soap."

"The second remedy is sunlight which, must in the circumstances be artificial. We believe that we are quite correct in saying that a few sunlight lamps would be far more efficacious than all the mists of Westminster."

♠ K Q J 10 6  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ Q J 7  
♣ A

The bidding:

You	Partner	Opponent	Dealer
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass

ANSWER: Bid one spade. The hand may be ... it, and you have no reason to get enthusiastic unless a good one can be found. Score 100% for one spade; 60% for two spades.

**QUEST ON PAGE 641**

Merwin ... you hold the ... but the bidding goes:

You	Partner	Opponent	Dealer
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass

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## A PAGE FOR WOMEN

### Ills Caused By Insufficient Exercise

WINTER is a good time to warn women that many minor illnesses are caused through insufficient exercise. During cooler months women are likely to neglect this phase of intelligent body care - getting down on the mat or out of doors to exercise becomes a major effort!

There is a marvellous physician (who's name I am not permitted to divulge because of medical ethics) who treats ailing women with the most sensible psychology.

After his female patients pour out their woes and describe their ailments he examines them carefully in a routine manner and prescribes two weeks of corrective diet, more sunshine than what they have been taking, and exercise every blessed day.

He may give a patient a prescription of something quite harmless if he thinks that will make her feel she has had her fee's worth. But on the whole he sends them out to take care of themselves for fourteen days, and his last words of advice are quite likely to be, "The exercise is very important. Force yourself to take it even if you have little desire for it. Two weeks of exercise will greatly aid me in putting my finger on your trouble."

#### The Way Of Woman

If the woman is truly worried about her condition she returns



Exercise can be performed during the day while doing household chores. This one, for instance, is done while sweeping. Every once in a while step over the broom as high as you can. This simple exercise stretches leg muscles, relieves strain and reduces hips and stomach.



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for her second visit. He examines her again, inquires about what exercise she embraced and how frequently. The chances are nine to ten that she was pretty lazy about the exercise. He then prescribes another week or two week programme and cautions her again that she must exercise if she wants an accurate diagnosis.

Some women never come back after the first visit. They embrace exercise and the corrective diet and feel so well that they figure it foolish to go and pay another doctor's fee.

"I lose patients that way," this doctor told me with a grand twinkle in his eyes, "but I start them on the road of a couple of more years of good health."

The repeater patients may or may not have something organically or mentally wrong with them, but this physician figures a lot of guess work can be eliminated when the patient has shaken herself out of a lethargy and lived scrubily for several weeks. Very stout ladies loose weight

during the first weeks and too full ladies put on a little weight. They like coming to the doctor who seems to be "sensible," and who shows a most amazing interest in their conditions.

In discussing this technique with me this physician stated candidly that some of their patients do need medical treatment, but many of them do not. All of them are benefited by the health routine and in some cases rather serious illnesses and operations are averted. In other cases, naturally, are quickly diagnosed and cured. But with you, Mrs. Mills, he estimated that there is a ninety-five per cent of these women have no ailments - other than physical laziness.

"This is the way for them and they have not the common sense to exercise their bodies to keep them fit," the doctor said. "Naturally aches and pains and other imaginary ills send them to me - and some are terribly disappointed when I tell them nothing is wrong with them and they do not need an operation."

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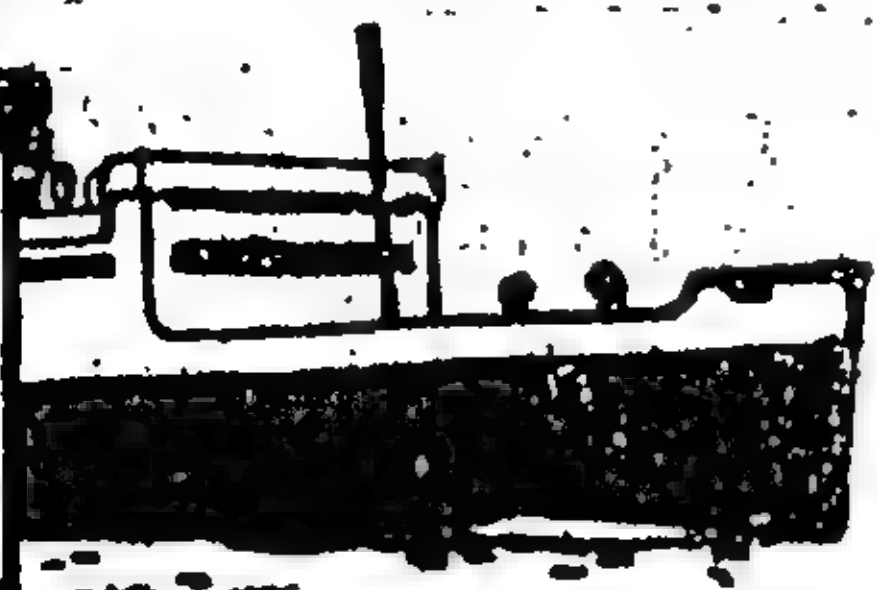
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2.15 p.m.—Close Down.  
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# RECTOR AND A MARRIED WOMAN

QUESTIONS ABOUT a married woman were put to the Rev. W. H. Hopkin, Rector of Blunham, Beds, when he continued his evidence at St. Albans Consistory Court at Bedford, denying allegations against him.

This 57-year-old clergyman, whose wife died early in 1939 and one of whose sons was killed while serving in the Air Force this year, originally faced 43 charges, 17 connected with drinking, 15 alleging that he resorted to taverns and ale houses, and 11 of accosting females, but it has been stated that seven of these charges will not arise.

The hearing was further adjourned.

Mr. G. O. Slade, prosecuting for the Bishop of St. Albans, Dr. Furse, pointed to a woman sitting near Mr. Hopkin's solicitor and said, "Mrs. Robbs is a married woman. Has her husband taken the gravest exception to your social association with this lady?"

The rector: Not that I am aware.

## "You Outsider"

Mr. Slade: Did you ring her up at 2 a.m. on June 16? - I do not know. I cannot remember.

Did Mr. Robbs say, "Get off the line, you outsider. You are beastly drunk"? - No.

The rector agreed that Mrs. Robbs went to Weston-super-Mare to do some work last June, but denied that he communicated with her there.

Mr. Slade then showed a telegram to the rector and asked, "Did you send that?"

The rector: Yes, I had quite forgotten that I sent it, but it is quite true.

Mr. Slade said the telegram stated: "Will be with you to-morrow or the next day," and he asked: Did that mean that you were going to Weston-super-Mare? - It would mean I was going there for a week's holiday.

Mr. Slade: Did you in fact go to Weston-super-Mare? - No, I cancelled the whole arrangement.

Mr. Slade referred to occasions when he said that Mrs. Robbs had visited the rectory and had not returned home until 11 p.m.

"I am very sorry that Mrs. Robbs has to put up with all this," said the rector.

Mr. Slade: I am not suggesting anything improper, but on July 10 and 11 did she spend the whole night at the rectory? - I cannot remember.

Did she sit up with you until six a.m. because you could not get to sleep? - Probably.

Did you take her to a cinema? - I did.

## Slept On Settee

Mr. Hopkin also agreed that Mrs. Robbs was found sleeping upon a settee in his drawing room after the rectory grounds had been searched for her.

Mr. Slade asked if Mr. Robbs was in court, and Mr. Robbs who had been sitting on a bench facing his wife on the other side of the court, stood up. He looked first at his wife and then at the rector before resuming his seat.

Further questioned, Mr. Hopkin said that he thought Mr. Robbs had put his wife in a very cruel position. "There are other ways if he wishes to do so by which he can take action against his wife," he added.

There was a stir of interest in court when Mrs. Dorothy Hilda Robbs, a middle-aged woman, gave evidence. She said that when the rector came out of a nursing home he was delirious for a time.

The rector was also questioned about Mrs. Charlotte Paulo, who, it was stated, was known as Lottie, and who, in peace-time, travelled with Paulo's Circus. He said he felt insulted when he was told that Mrs. Paulo had complained that he had molested her.

## Barmaid's

### "Grandchildren"

Earlier in his evidence, the rector dealt with the incident in a public house when he was said to have been seen talking to Annie, the barmaid, while he was standing in the passage of the inn. He said that he knew Annie's husband, her children, "and I know her grandchildren."

Asked by Mr. E. Rider Richardson, defending, whether he had ever spoken to a woman with the intention that it should lead to the happening of some wrong act, the rector replied "Definitely no."

Mr. Hopkin agreed that he received a letter from the bishop dated Feb. 17, 1940, inhibiting him for the time being from exercising his functions as a clergyman in the diocese. Describing what he called two long telegrams sent to him by the bishop, the rector said: "One of them referred to a certain incident. It was as a result of that, that the rural dean double-crossed me. If it were not that it would involve several brother clergymen I would give a full statement about the matter."

The rector also agreed that he probably told the bishop that it never occurred to him that by drinking pale ale he was breaking a promise to become a teetotaler. He promised that he would never indulge in whisky.

Referring to an allegation that he was once under the influence of drink while preaching a sermon, and kept on repeating the phrase "O.K.," the rector said that he had wondered what sort of effect a sermon preached in the slangy style of Woodbine Willie would have on a country congregation. It was a complete failure.

## Devoted To Wife

Ethel Collins, a domestic servant, who had been in the rector's employ for 18 years, described him as "very devoted to his wife and family."

P.C. Frith, dealing with an occasion when it was alleged that Mr. Hopkin had had drink, said that the rector was not under the influence of drink.

In a closing speech for the de-

# LAMOUR'S KISSES ARE NOT ERSATZ

Dorothy Lamour's movie kisses are 100 per cent.

She went into a clinch, winding up with the inevitable fade-out kiss, with young Ted North. Ted, who hasn't been in Hollywood for long, expressed himself as much impressed.

But the director was not satisfied. He asked: "Were those ersatz kisses, or the real thing?" Dorothy bristled. She demanded an electro-cardiograph test to prove it.

The electrodes of the machine were attached to one of her shapely legs and to each wrist. A graph of her normal heart action was recorded, and then she went into action.

Clinical observations showed that as she kissed her blood pressure soared, her pulse rate leaped from eighty-four to 110 and there was a marked "hippus reaction" in the pupil of the eye, demonstrating emotional stress.

North's reactions were not taken, but he contributed a layman's observation that as far as he could tell there was absolutely nothing lacking. - Associated Press.

# 'WON' DRAW TO BILLET TWINS, REFUSED

Twenty villagers refused to billet twins Peter and Paul, aged five—so the billeting officer put the twenty names into a hat and drew lots.

The "winner" was Miss Amy G. Black, of Burton Old Hall, Burton, Westmorland, but when the billeting officer arrived with the boys she declined to have them.

Her refusal resulted in her appearance at Milnthorpe, when she was fined £2.

Herbert Smith, of Vicarage Lane, Burton, the billeting officer, told the magistrates that the names he put into a hat were those of householders who had never previously accommodated evacuees.

He was asked by Mr. J. K. Jackson, Miss Black's solicitor: "Do you think you should have treated this serious matter of billeting evacuees as a lottery?"

"It was absolutely in order," Mr. Smith replied.

Miss Black said that she had housed refugees since the outbreak of war and informed evacuation authorities that relatives would be coming to stay.

fence Mr. Richardson said, "You may have formed the opinion that the rector is eccentric." In many of the charges there was no corroboration at all.

Referring to some of the conduct of the rector, Mr. Richardson said, "It is much more like the meanderings of someone who is not quite responsible for what he is doing than any wickedness or uncleanness. The prosecution does not allege immorality."

# HOGARTH'S MATCH AT HAMPDEN PK.

R. Hogarth, Police junior centre-half and Rugby forward, was a Scottish Schoolboy International Soccer player, playing centre-half against England at Hampden Park in 1925—the Scots won 2-1—and it was then thought that young Hogarth would make the grade and enter professional football.

Unfortunately, however, he played no soccer after leaving school until he joined the Kilmarlock Burgh Police, for whom he played at centre-half. He came to the Colony about two years ago and prefers to play in the Police second team, on whom he has a steady influence. He has played forward this season for Police in the Quadrangular Rugby Tournament.

# L.C.'S WIN RETURN MATCH

Playing on Kowloon Cricket Club's green yesterday, the K.C.C. were beaten in a friendly return game of lawn bowls by a team from Lane Crawfords, 54-47. Scores were:

S. Carr, G. Tanner, A. B. Hamson, and E. C. Fincher (L.C.) beat H. Brokenshire, S. A. Gray, R. B. Wellwood and J. Fraser 19-15.

H. Burson, T. H. Edgar, H. W. Randall and A. W. Brown (L.C.) lost to A. E. P. Guest, R. G. Burch, A. Steven and V. C. Labrum 16-20.

W. C. Ogley, J. W. Bertram, J. H. S. Duncan and W. W. Parson (L.C.) beat D. Hung, F. Zimmern, L. Jack and T. A. Madar 19-12.

## Engineer's Big Win

Only one match was played in the Hockey Association Tournament yesterday. Royal Engineers beating 2/M.T.B.'s, at King's Park, by 14 goals to nil. Engineers led 6-0 at the interval. The only other scheduled match, Police "B" against the University, was postponed.

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# POOR SHOOTING BY ARMY FORWARDS IN LAI WAH TIE

## Howlett And Ferrier Do Well In Civilian Attack

### THE BIG SWEEP

At 9.30 this morning, the sale of tickets in the Hong Kong Jockey Club sweep on the Rooter-Hill Derby had reached the colossal figure of 914,110.

### RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

- Race No. 1  
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NAVYLIGHT  
Outsider:—O. Lan.
- Race No. 2  
UNITED EXPRESS  
SYDNEY DIAMOND  
ROYAL SOVEREIGN  
Outsider:—Newborn Star.
- Race No. 3  
A HAPPY TIME  
COLOOMA  
RATIO DECIDENDI  
Outsider:—First Love.
- Race No. 4  
A SURPRISING TIME  
BLACK SEAL  
SANTA-ANITA  
Outsider:—Castle Hill.
- Race No. 5  
LOVELYLIGHT  
IRON BEAUTY  
GLOSSYLIGHT  
Outsider:—Eve of Grandeur.
- Race No. 6  
DISTANT VIEW  
KING'S WELCOME  
CANBERRA  
Outsider:—Gloaming.
- Race No. 7  
SAPPER  
FAR VIEW  
BAFFIN BAY  
Outsider:—Viceroy.
- Race No. 8  
MARSH WARBLER  
NOMINE POENAE  
PRAIRIE VIEW  
Outsider:—Fleetwing.
- Race No. 9  
VITAMIN M.  
TWINKLING STAR  
BENDEMEER  
Outsider:—Newmarket Day.
- Race No. 10  
OOLONG  
CHARLESBER  
VELVETLIGHT  
Outsider:—World Fair View.
- Race No. 11  
ROWAN  
CRIFFEL  
SPRINGHURST  
Outsider:—Fair Chance.
- Race No. 12  
ENDEAVOUR  
MANHATTAN  
KING'S FLIGHT  
Outsider:—Strathalbyn.  
DAILY DOUBLE:—SAPPER AND VITAMIN M.

## Gough, Pope And Lapsley Brilliant

By "Sportshawk"

ARMY, WHO DESERVEDLY DEFEATED THE HOLDERS, CHINA, IN THE SEMI-FINAL ROUND BY 4 GOALS TO 1, WENT DOWN BADLY TO CIVILIANS IN THE FINAL OF THE LAI WAH CUP COMPETITION ON THE CLUB GROUND YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, BY 5 GOALS TO 2, AFTER CIVILIANS HAD LED AT THE INTERVAL BY THE ODD GOAL IN THREE.

two, with Rietsen, formed a very strong attacking unit on the left flank.

Howlett played a big part in the Civilians' victory, while Ferrier was the schemer of the attack.

The Civilians' intermediate-line was best served by Gough, who played a hard game throughout and combined well with Pope on his right.

These two players kept their forwards supplied with numerous well-placed through passes in addition to defending well.

Lapsley played a brilliant game between the sticks for the Civilians, while Blackburn was the mainstay of the full-back division.

### Poor Marksmen

Army played very well as a team and attacked for two-thirds of the game, but their forwards were miserably in front of goal, and this factor was the main cause of their downfall.

Bankier, the custodian, and the backs, Naysmith and Fraser, played well in defence for the soldiers and they could not altogether be blamed for letting their opponents through on five occasions. The two backs relieved many an awkward situation.

Bright, the pivot, though not brilliant, did some good work when Army were defending.

Hossack and Fox combined well in attack and also did well individually but they both failed with their finishing.

### Wingers Not Used

Another reason for Army's defeat was their failure to use their wingers.

Howlett drew first blood for the Civilians about 16 minutes after the whistle by heading in a pass from Rietsen, and the same player placed his side in the lead soon after as the result of a pass from Pope.

Fox, however, went straight through the Civilians' defence and beat Lapsley with a grounder just before the interval to reduce the lead.

### Army Press

On the resumption, Army again applied pressure but were unable to score.

After a good movement, Fowler added a further goal for the Civilians, while Wier reduced the arrears from a scrimmage for the Army.

Not long towards the end, Fowler placed the issue beyond doubt with a good shot.

After the contest, His Excellency, Major-General A. E. Grasett, presented the Cup to Howlett, the Civilians' captain.

CIVILIANS:—Lapsley (Kowloon); Blackburn (Police); and Ulrich (Kowloon); Pope (Police); Gough (Police); and Maxwell (Kowloon); Fowler (Club); B. Gosano (Kowloon); Howlett (Police) (capt.); Ferrier (Police) and Rietsen (Club).

ARMY:—Bankier (R. Scots); Naysmith (R. Scots); Fraser (R. Scots); Birrell (Engineers); Bright (Middle); Freshwater (Middle); Owens (R.A.); Hossack (R. Scots); Fox (Engineers); Wier (R.A.S.C.) and Duffield (R.A.O.C.) (Capt.).

Although heavily beaten, the soldiers had a fair share of the exchanges for the greater part of the game.

Had Fox, the Army leader, not missed several scoring opportunities, the soldiers might very well

have forced a draw or done even better.

### Useful Change

Neither side made any change, except that Civilians shifted Howlett into the centre-forward position in place of Gosano, who took over Howlett's berth at right-half.

This move made a noticeable difference as Ferrier better understood his leader's play and, these

## EASTERN WIN 10-2

At Boundary Street yesterday, Eastern trounced Kwong Wah by 10 goals to 2 in their First Division League football encounter, after leading by 5 goals to 1 at the end of the first half.

Eastern scored their goals through Hyui Man-fai (3), Hau Ching-to (2) Kui Wing-fook (3), C. T. Tsao and Cheung Kam-hoi, while Kwong Wah's goals were registered by Cheuk Shek-kam and Chin Chi-lun.

## STANLEY SCORES THREE GOALS

On Thursday, in the Army Hockey League, R.A.S.C. beat R.A.M.C. by four clear goals scored by L/Cpl. Stanley (3) and Kirby.

For the winners, Gibb, at right-half, played a hard game and spoiled and distributed very well, while Ashman, the pivot, was instrumental in breaking up many dangerous Medical movements. Allen revealed a good turn of speed on the right-wing and sent over many well-timed centres.

## W.C. HUNG'S COMEBACK

W. C. Hung, former Chinese Recreation Club cricket captain, and when at his best one of the finest all-rounders in the Colony, will make his first appearance on the cricket field since K.C.C. last won the Junior Cricket League, on Tuesday for K.C.C. against the Volunteers.

Hung has been down to the net fairly frequently recently and is said to be showing some of his old form with the ball.

He has expressed a desire to play regularly and, if not required for the first team, he should be a big help to the junior attack now that Rupert Baldwin has gone on leave.

### MAN FOR SCOTLAND

Scotland need look no further than Royal Engineers for a half-back who is easily up to Inter-Port standard—Cpl. Birrell, Sappers' right half-back. A native of Dundee, he played quite a lot of football in his home town, and "Jock" is also a useful three-quarter in the Sappers' Rugby side.

## FOOTBALL PROBLEMS

By "THE JUDGE"

Here are to-day's problems:  
Q. 1. A local correspondent last week published the following:—

"A local correspondent has seen fit to draw attention to a technical omission in a paragraph of mine last week which referred to the charging of a goalkeeper. I said, 'If the goalkeeper has the ball in his possession he can be fairly charged, but without the ball he cannot'. In case any of my readers are under the same delusion as the aforementioned correspondent, I should explain that this refers to the goalkeeper when he is within the goal area.

Being "in possession" referred to carrying the ball and as everyone knows that the custodian may not carry the ball outside the goal area I did not deem it necessary to mention 'within the goal area'. (The italics are mine).

Is this correspondent correct?  
Q. 2. On examining the ground before the start of a game the referee notices that it is marked out incorrectly.

What should he do?  
Q. 3. A free-kick from within the goal area is awarded to the defending side. An attacker stands exactly 10 yards away and is able to stop the ball when kicked, and place it in the net.

Is this a goal?  
Q. 4. A defender persistently uses what is known as the "Sliding Tackle" i.e., sliding with both feet outstretched in an endeavour to get the ball.

Is this permitted by the Laws of Game?

Q. 5. The attacking inside-right about one yard off the goal-line screws the ball into the goal-mouth and runs in following up. The ball hits the cross bar and rebounds to the defending back, who is on the penalty spot facing his own goal. In attempting to clear he accidentally kicks the ball to the attacking inside-right. By this time the goalkeeper is the only opponent between the inside-right and the goal.

Is he offside?  
(Answers on Page 15)



## TO-DAY'S RUGBY SEVENS AT VALLEY

To-day's games in the Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament on the Club ground, Happy Valley, are as follows:

- 3.30 p.m.—12th Heavy "B" v Civil Service. Referee—J. S. Riddell.  
3.50 p.m.—Royal Engineers v 5th A.A. "A". Referee—Lt. Pirie.  
4.10 p.m.—5th A.A. "B" v Combined Small Units "A". Referee—Major Curran.  
4.30 p.m.—Police "B" v R. Scots "A". Referee—J. Radman.  
4.50 p.m.—Middlesex "A" v Tamar & Small Ships "B". Referee—E. Mathews.  
5.10 p.m.—8th Heavy "A" v Jardine's. Referee—Lt. Pirie.  
5.30 p.m.—Club "A" v R. Scots "B". Referee—Lt. Comdr. Harrison.

### ANNUAL GAME

Major R. D. Walker, officer-commanding, Field Engineers Company of Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, will play his annual game of cricket on Wednesday, when he turns out for the Officers and Sergeants of the Corps against the Other Ranks. It is understood that he will keep wicket.

## VOLUNTEER CRICKET WEEK

There will be considerable cricket activity among the Volunteers in the course of the next three days. To-day, starting at 2 p.m., they will be entertained at Chaler Road by Hong Kong Cricket Club, to-morrow they will play Kowloon Cricket Club, and on Wednesday the Officers and Sergeants of the Corps will play Other Ranks.

Following are the teams:—  
To-day (v H.K.C.C.) — E. C. Fincher, K. M. Baxter, R. T. Broadbridge, W. S. Gegg, G. N. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, L. G. Gosano, T. A. Madar, P. M. N. da Silva, A. Zimmern and E. Zimmern.

H.K.C.C. — H. Owen-Hughes (Capt.), L. T. Ride, J. E. Richardson, C. W. E. Bishop, N. D. Booker, D. O. Parsons, G. J. P. Carey, D. S. Robb, W. G. Finnie, C. M. Stark and I. P. Tamworth.

To-morrow (v K.C.C.) — H. Owen-Hughes, G. G. Altkenhead, D. G. Day, G. N. Gosano, L. G. Gosano, R. H. Griffiths, J. L. Hiley, D. O. Parsons, L. T. Ride, P. M. N. da Silva and E. Zimmern. Twelfth Man—A. E. Perry.

Wednesday (at H.K.C.C.) Officers and Sergeants XI—H. Owen-Hughes, D. J. N. Anderson, J. Barrow, A. E. Perry, J. E. Potter, L. T. Ride, A. M. Rodrigues, I. P. Tamworth, R. D. Walker, G. S. Winn and E. Zimmern.

Other Ranks XI—R. H. Griffiths, K. M. Baxter, D. I. Bosanquet, E. F. Fincher, W. S. Gegg, L. G. Gosano, D. Hung, D. O. Parsons, C. M. Stark, A. Zimmern and F. R. Zimmern.

K.C.C. TEAMS  
For to-morrow's match K.C.C. will be represented by:—E. C. Fincher, D. J. N. Anderson, E. F. Fincher, D. Hung, A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, W. C. Hung, R. T. Broadbridge, R. E. Lee, K. M. Baxter and T. A. Madar. Scorer T. W. Carr; Umpire J. P. Robinson.

On Wednesday Kowloon Cricket Club will entertain Royal Army Service Corps at Cox's Road, starting 2 p.m. Following is the K.C.C. team:—E. Curtis, T. A. Madar, G. E. Taylor, W. L. Rapley, H. Brokenshire, L. R. Burch, W. W. Parsons, R. T. Broadbridge, W. C. Chung, J. W. Bertram and F. Crabb.

## FURTHER Q.T. FIXTURES

The following further Quadrangular Hockey Tournament fixtures have been provisionally arranged:

- BRITISH ARMY  
Tuesday, February 25 v Club at Club ground King's Park at 4.45 p.m.  
Friday, February 28 v Navy at Sookunpoo at 4.30 p.m.  
Friday, March 14 v Indian Army on the Marina at 4.30 p.m.  
Friday, March 21 v Navy at Navy ground King's Park at 4.30 p.m.  
Monday, March 31 v Indian Army at Sookunpoo at 4.30 p.m.

- INDIAN ARMY  
Friday, February 21 v Navy at Navy ground King's Park at 4.30 p.m.  
Friday, March 7 v Navy on the Marina at 4.30 p.m.  
Friday, March 14 v British Army on the Marina at 4.30 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 18 v Club on the Marina at 4.45 p.m.  
Monday, March 31 v British Army at Sookunpoo at 4.30 p.m.

### AID TO I.R.C. JUNIORS

Indian Recreation Club 2nd XI should be considerably strengthened by the inclusion of Yaya Barma in their team. Barma, who spent some months in Shanghai, has had a very successful season in the Northern port, where he played for Shanghai Recreation Club juniors.



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# London Counties Start Preparing For Cricket

## Fixtures To Be Arranged Soon

LONDON COUNTIES CRICKET ELEVEN WHO, TOGETHER WITH THE BRITISH EMPIRE TEAM, SAVED CRICKET FROM EXTINCTION LAST SEASON, ARE ALREADY LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SEASON.

The Committee, on which Andy Sandham and Jack Durston are serving, are satisfied with the achievements of last season both on and off the field.

Fixtures will be arranged shortly and the team will continue to operate in the London area, though they may seek more matches in the "safe" areas. It is expected that the players who appeared last summer and are engaged on war work will again be available.

that the peace time membership is a bit over 3,000."

Essex cricket enthusiasts will be agreeably surprised to hear that the club made about £160 on last summer's working.--Reuter.

### Sacrifice Necessary

Several county clubs have emphasised the importance of members making a sacrifice by keeping up their subscriptions. Many of the appeals have met with fine response, but Leicestershire were a little disappointed. By rigid economy, however, the balance in hand of the club is approximately the same as in February last year. The financial statement shows this balance to be £792.

Although no country cricket was played last season, members of Yorkshire County Cricket Club paid £2,640 in subscriptions. The deficit on the year so far amounts to £250. The Committee made grants to grounds where County matches are normally played: £300 each to Sheffield, Leeds and Bradford, £100 to Hull and £50 each to Harrogate, Huddersfield and Scarborough.

### Noble Members

Followers of Kent cricket will be interested to learn that 1,200 members have continued all or part of their subscriptions. "Very noble of them" is the comment of the county secretary "considering

## FOOTBALL ANSWERS

(Questions on Page 14)

A. 1. He is incorrect. The goalkeeper may carry the ball outside the goal area but not outside the penalty area. The correspondent in question may be confusing both areas, in any case, he owes another apology to his readers.

A. 2. He should draw the attention of the home team and endeavour to get the ground marked correctly. If he is unable to do this and both teams agree he should carry on the game and report the matter to the association concerned.

A. 3. No. All free kicks in the penalty area, taken by the defending side, must pass out of the penalty area before the ball comes into play, i.e., before anyone can legitimately play the ball. In this case the free kick should be re-taken, as the attacker, if he is only 10 (ten) yards away, must be within the penalty area.

A. 4. This is a point where the referee is the sole judge. If he considers it dangerous he penalises accordingly. If the defender plays the ball only and does not interfere with his opponent then the play is legitimate, but if he plays the ball and also brings his opponent down the referee uses his discretion and treats the incident as follows:—A free kick for tripping or dangerous play or alternatively allows the play to go on, having decided that the defender made a legitimate attempt to secure the ball and the attacker was not brought down but fell over him.

A. 5. No. The fact that a defender was the last person to play the ball puts him onside.

### C.S.C.C. PRIZES

Civil Service Cricket Club are holding their annual prize-giving on Saturday, February 22, at 6.30 p.m., when Mrs. Valentine, wife of Dr. D. J. Valentine will distribute the awards. There is a possibility that an informal concert will follow the ceremony, which is timed to start at 6.30 p.m.

## POLICE LOSE BOWLERS

Police Recreation Club will be without the services of two members of their lawn bowls League team for the early part of next season.

In the course of the week J. Orem and J. C. S. Fender will be leaving for Australia on long leave.

On the same boat will be R. H. E. Marks, who is leaving on retirement. Marks' bowling activities in recent years have been confined to junior games for Kowloon Cricket Club.

## HAYWARD'S DAYS WITH ARTILLERY

Jack "Coxwain" Hayward, Police cricketer, hockey and lawn bowls player, was an all-round athlete in Royal Artillery before he joined the Force.

He won the Army Area High Jump and Throwing the Discus title. He also has a fine collection of prizes for swimming, one cup in his possession being donated by Donald Burlingham, retired Supt. of Police and now a Director of Norwich City Football Club, for the 50 Yards Hurdles Race at the V.R.C. in 1933.

## CATCHER HURT

Jackie Anderson, Wahoos' crack softball catcher, sustained a sprain to her arm in a game against the Canadian Chinese Girls last Sunday and will probably be out of the game for a couple of weeks.

## MEDICALS LEAD AT SNOOKER

Royal Army Medical Corps have already established a winning lead in the Garrison Snooker League for the Windsor Shield.

On Thursday Medical Corps shared six frames with Pay Corps, but they are still four points ahead of their nearest rivals, Royal Engineers 'A'.

Other games played on Thursday were as follows:—

Signals shared six frames with R.A. Stanley.  
Royal Engineers 'A' beat Royal Signals 'A' 5 to 1.

Corps Military Police beat Royal Engineers' Sergeants 4 to 2.  
Following is the League table to date:

	P	W	L	D	Pts.
R.A.M.C.	4	2	0	2	18
R.E. 'A'	4	1	0	3	14
R.A. Stanley	4	1	0	3	13
R.E. Sergeants	4	1	1	2	13
C.M. Police	4	1	0	3	13
Signals Cpls.	4	1	1	2	11
R.A.P.C.	4	1	2	1	9
Royal Signals 'A'	4	0	4	0	5



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## New Campaign Of Aid To Britain In U.S.

### DANUBE FLOOD DISASTER THREATENED

Large masses of ice in the Danube below Budapest have caused an extremely critical situation in certain districts where the water is already level with the top of the protective dykes, says a Budapest despatch. Hungarian troops, with 10,000 sandbags, are striving to stem the threatened floods and are preparing to blow up the ice with dynamite.—Reuter.

### SINGAPORE MINES

The Admiralty in London announced yesterday the laying of mines in the sea covering the eastern entrance to the Straits of Singapore.

Vessels wishing to pass through the area must apply to the British naval authorities for a route. The area affected is bounded on the north by the parallel 002 degrees 30 minutes east, on the south by the parallel 001 degrees 35 minutes north, and on the west by the coast of Malaya.—Reuter.

## Europe's Hope Of Liberation

**A NATIONWIDE APPEAL TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO TAKE STEPS NECESSARY TO ENSURE BRITAIN'S FOOD SUPPLIES IS BEING ORGANISED IN NEW YORK.**

A letter to President Roosevelt, already signed by over 100 prominent Americans, after declaring that the American people overwhelmingly agree with the President's statement that America must become the arsenal of Democracy, proceeds to say:

"The gallant garrisons of Democracy may need more than arms; they may need food.

"Hitler boasts that submarine sinkings to date are only a foretaste of what is to come soon. 'Men, no matter how brave, in order to fight victoriously on land and sea and in the air must know that starvation cannot threaten the homes they are defending.

"It is within our power to see that such a threat does not materialise."

The letter says that the conquered peoples, "whose food is being stolen from them to feed the German armies of occupation," can be helped only by being freed from the yoke of the oppressor, but Americans can see to it that their only hope of liberation is not destroyed as it would be if the British Isles should be reduced through starvation.

The signatories ask the President to "take such steps as may be necessary to make us not only the arsenal but the larder of Democracy."—Reuter.

### ADVANCE IN ITALIAN SOMALILAND

With the occupation of Kismayu the whole of the south-western portion of Italian Somaliland up to the line of the Juba River is now overrun by British troops.

Approximately 10,000 square miles of enemy territory, an area greater than Wales, have fallen into British hands.

Units of the British Navy are cooperating by the bombardment of enemy concentrations on the coast.

On the northern sector, South African units have made further progress and numerous friendly natives welcomed the advancing troops.

These natives complained of bad treatment, such as the forceful removal of their wives, children and stock by the Italians.—Reuter.

### ITALIAN ELEVENTH ARMY SUFFERS ROUT

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of the Greek army at all points on the front where it was undertaken.

#### Spirited Attacks

"More fortified points were captured as the result of spirited attacks by our troops and all objectives were attained.

"One of the fortified positions wrested from the enemy was of such vital importance that the Italian High Command ordered a desperate counter-attack to recapture it.

"A large Italian force was thrown into this action but in vain. The result was a disaster for the Italians, who sustained very heavy losses in killed and wounded, including many officers.

"A further Greek advance was made for a considerable distance into enemy territory.

#### Becoming Desperate

"Some of the Italian detachments participating in his counter-attack lost four-fifths of their effectiveness.

"The Italians are becoming desperate under the new Greek offensive and are vainly struggling to stem the rising tide of destruction.

"At one point they tried to break through the Greek lines in darkness but a withering fire from the Greeks forced the Italians to retreat after terrible losses."—Reuter.

## STOP PRESS

The British Embassy in Shanghai issued a notice to-day renewing the advice given last October to Britons to evacuate occupied China.

The following is the text of the press release issued by the Embassy:

"It will be recalled that in October last the British authorities advised enquirers that any British subjects who had no good reason for remaining should consider the advisability of leaving occupied China. This advice still holds good.

"The decision whether to leave or remain and any consequent arrangements must be made individually according to personal circumstances.

"In coming to a decision, however, it must be realised that it will almost certainly be impossible to provide special facilities for departure at short notice.

"It should also be borne in mind that Far Eastern shipping services are already seriously curtailed and accommodation in ocean-going ships is limited, and booking should be made well in advance of sailing dates."—Reuter.

BRITAIN IS NEGOTIATING WITH CHUNGKING FOR A MILITARY ALLIANCE, SAYS THE BANGKOK CORRESPONDENT OF THE TOKYO "YOMIURI SHIMBUN."

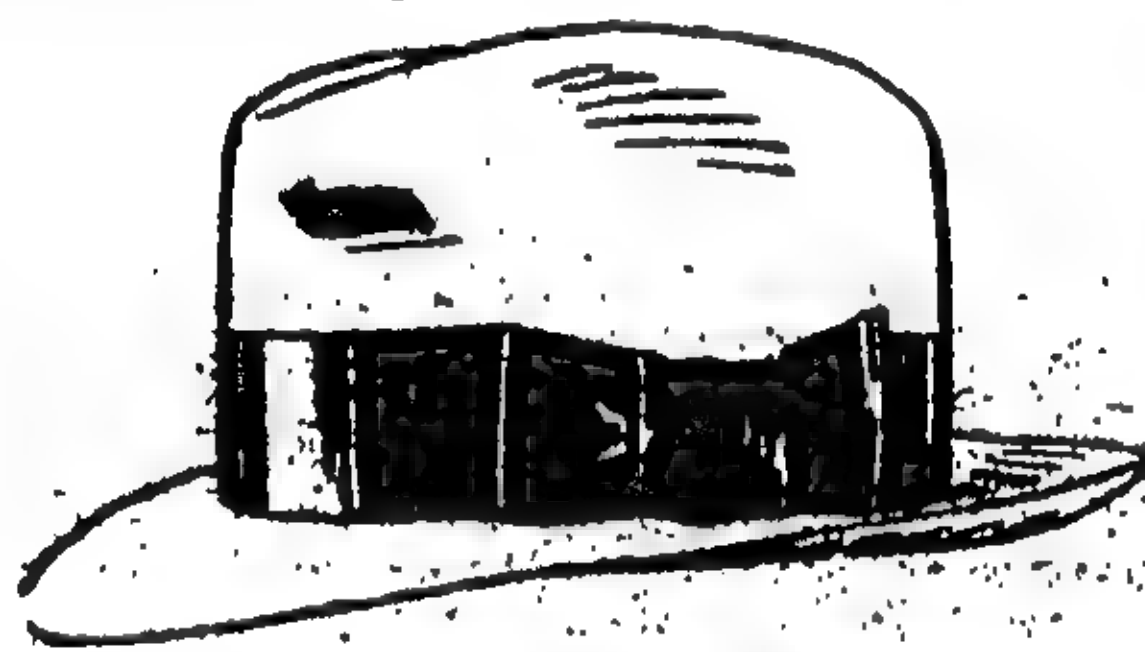
The proposed alliance, says the correspondent, is aimed at establishing joint Anglo-Chinese defence in the Far East and would provide the enlistment of Chinese in the South Seas in the British Army.—Reuter.

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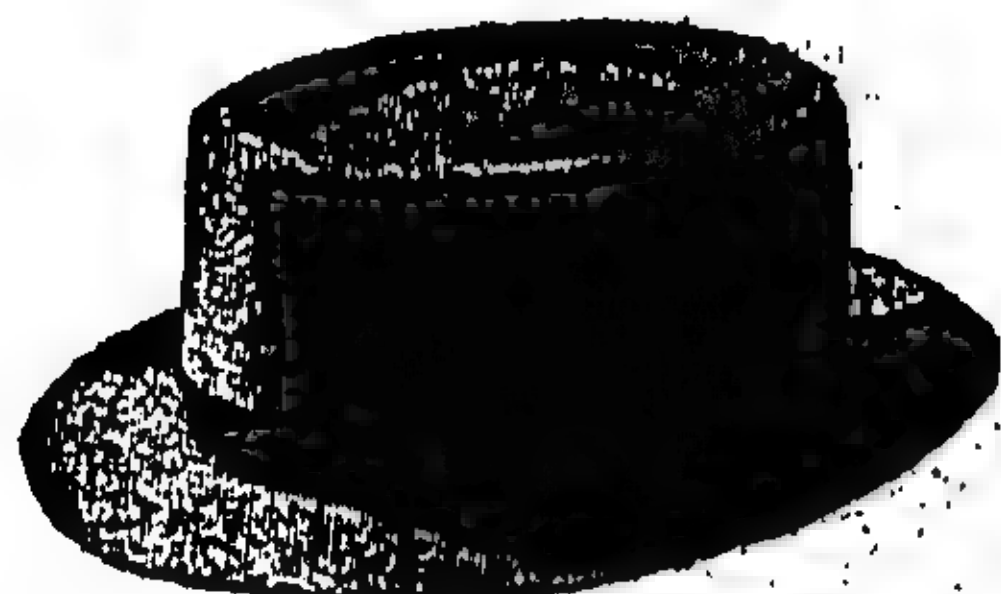


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# MASSIVE R.A.F. RAID ON RUHR

## Large Scale Attack On Oil Installations

### GERMAN VERSION OF WEEK-END WAR IN THE AIR

THE INFLECTING OF severe damage on two merchant ships on Saturday in the Thames Estuary and in the Humber by German reconnaissance planes was mentioned in the German High Command communique yesterday.

It also states that military long-range guns shelled "important military objectives" in south-east England on Friday and Saturday, and German dive-bombers attacked British bases in Cyrenaica with heavy calibre bombs.

Concerning Saturday night's raids on Britain the communique says considerable German bomber formations attacked south-east England, the Midlands and shipping targets.

Several aerodromes are stated to have been set on fire and stationary planes destroyed.

Damage to dock installations on the Thames and in a West Coast harbour is claimed.

Two merchant ships totalling 8,000 tons are stated to have been sunk, another set ablaze and a bomb hit a light cruiser.

The communique continues that attempts by the enemy to fly into occupied territory were repulsed on the coast and two British

fighters and three bombers lost in aerial combat.

#### Thus And Thus

It adds that a small number of high explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped in western Germany on Saturday night by the enemy but no important damage was done.

The communique concludes: "During these flights over German territory and night attempts to raid occupied territory German night fighters shot down four planes. One was brought down by A.A. fire. Thus the total loss to the enemy amounted to 10 planes. One German plane is missing." — *Reuter*.

### FLYINGBOAT "CLYDE" SUNK IN HURRICANE

The British flying-boat Clyde was sunk in the River Tagus at Lisbon on Saturday during the hurricane which swept the Portuguese capital, it is learned in London.

The Clyde recently was employed in the West African service of British Airways. — *Reuter*.

## Attention Also Given To Aerodromes

OBJECTIVES IN THE WESTERN RUHR WERE THE MAIN TARGETS OF A CONSIDERABLE ATTACK BY BRITISH BOMBERS ON SATURDAY NIGHT, SAYS AN AIR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE.

Targets included oil installations, an inland port and aerodromes, a large number of high explosive bombs being seen to explode in the target areas, causing many large fires.

## HOW DESERT WAR PROBLEMS WERE OVERCOME

A DESCRIPTION was given in London yesterday of the long study of factors in desert patrolling which led to the outstanding success of British mechanised forces in the Libyan Desert.

During the ten years before the war various types of army vehicles were tested under desert and northern African conditions.

It has been found that big, oversized low pressure tyres are an absolute necessity in any car for desert use.

In fact what is wanted is a motor car with a powerful, simple engine and very large tyres.

Constant maintenance of tyres at low pressure is important in desert motoring. As one drives across hot and bumpy sands play of the walls of tyres generates great heat and consequently tyre pressures mount.

As the tyre gets harder so does the surface in contact with the ground decrease and the tendency is for the tyre to dig into the sand instead of rolling over it.

#### Cooling System

Water is conspicuous by its absence. A very meagre supply is needed for drinking rather than for cooling motor cars or for washing. Hence cooling-systems for cars had to be designed on a much more generous basis than those required in Europe.

In addition, by fitting a simple condenser, it was possible if a car boiled to save water by allowing the steam to cool off in the wind and condense back as water into the radiator.

It was found also that large air filters were necessary, carburettors being constantly filled up by blowing sand.

These were the main points in the perfect desert car, but above all the engine had to be reliable and the whole mechanism as robust and simple as possible. Yet even with such a car it was inevitable that one should occasionally get completely bogged in sand.

#### Out Of Pockets

So every desert car is equipped with a couple of channels either of zinc or hard rubber which can be slipped under the driving wheels so that one can get out of a pocket of soft sand.

Spades for digging out a car and rope ladders for laying a track across particularly soft bits are quite ordinary items of equipment.

As distances to be covered are very great and there are no refuelling points and few water points every inch of space on vehicles must be carefully thought out and utilised to the best advantage. — *British Wireless*.

## AIR LOSSES OVER BRITAIN

DURING THE WEEK ENDING MIDNIGHT ON SATURDAY TWELVE GERMAN AND THREE BRITISH AIRCRAFT WERE DESTROYED OVER BRITAIN.

The daily figures were:—

	German	British
Feb. 9	3	—
Feb. 10	1	—
Feb. 11	—	—
Feb. 12	1	—
Feb. 13	—	—
Feb. 14	1	1
Feb. 15	6	2

The British fighter lost on Feb. 14 was the first destroyed in the fighter patrol area since January 4, that is, in 41 days. — *Reuter*.

## DE L'ONCLE EMERGES

EUGENE DE L'ONGLE, WHO WAS THE LEADER OF THE NOTORIOUS CAGOUARDS (HOODED MEN) IN 1937, IS NOW HEAD OF THE NEW NAZI-INSPIRED FRENCH PARTY, THE RASSEMBLEMENT NATIONAL POPULAIRE, SAYS A MESSAGE TO THE INDEPENDENT FRENCH NEWS AGENCY IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

De l'Oncle was the first man to be arrested when the Fascist rising by the Cagouards was nipped in the bud just three years ago.

He was charged with storing German and Italian arms in readiness for an attempt at insurrection against the Popular Front Government then in power. — *Reuter*.

## BRIDGE BOMBED

ACTIVITIES OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE DURING THE WEEK-END INCLUDED THE BOMBING OF A PONTOON BRIDGE BETWEEN GOBWEIN, IN ITALIAN SOMALILAND, AND JUMBO.

Several pontoons were hit and the

The port of Rotterdam was also attacked. Bombs were seen to burst in the dock area.

Other bombers carried out a successful and sustained routine attack on the docks at Boulogne, where many large fires were started.

From all these operations two British aircraft are missing.

Coastal Command aircraft also raided the docks at Calais at night without loss.

From other operations of the Coastal Command on Saturday three British aircraft are missing.

#### Activity Over Britain

There was some activity over Britain yesterday by single enemy aircraft, says an Air Ministry communique.

British fighters shot down an enemy fighter into the sea off the south coast in the morning. Bombs have been dropped at three points in the London area and in some places in eastern and south-eastern England and the Home Counties. — *Reuter*.

## BARRISTERS APPOINTED MAGISTRATES

FOLLOWING THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. H. G. SHELTON, K.C., AS FIRST MAGISTRATE OF HONG KONG AT THE BEGINNING OF LAST YEAR, GOVERNMENT HAS SELECTED TWO MORE LOCAL BARRISTERS TO SIT ON THE BENCH OF THE LOWER COURTS OF THE COLONY.

The two well-known barristers to be appointed are Mr. H. C. Macnamara and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson who have been assigned to the Kowloon Magistracy to fill the vacancies created by the transfer of Mr. E. Himsforth and Mr. K. M. A. Barnett to the War Taxation Office.

## FRENCH CABINET MEETING

The French Cabinet met in Vichy yesterday afternoon under Marshal Pétain.

It discussed questions concerning the production of raw material and unemployment and family life, it was stated.

M. Peyrouton's resignation as Minister of Interior and his appointment as French Ambassador to the Argentine were officially announced in the afternoon.

His ministerial duties, it was added, have been transferred to Admiral Darlan. — *Reuter*.

bridge sank. Wire entanglements were also bombed and a blockhouse was destroyed. — *Reuter*.

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## ITALIAN ELEVENTH ARMY SUFFERS ROUT

### NAZIS WARN OFF TURKEY

A warning to Turkey that she is "no longer master of the Balkans as she was 30 years ago," has been given in authoritative German circles, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten" yesterday.

The same circles stress that Germany's relations with Greece are still unchanged.

The correspondent adds that the Wilhelmstrasse is still most reserved concerning the present German - Yugoslav conversation, but the traditional friendship between the two countries is emphasised.—Reuter.

### Greeks Capture 2,000 Prisoners And War Materials

GREEK TROOPS COMPLETELY ROUTED THE ITALIAN 11TH ARMY ON THE 30-MILE WIDE MOSHKOPOLIS - TEPELINI SECTOR OF THE ALBANIAN FRONT DURING SATURDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT. ACCORDING TO REPORTS RECEIVED YESTERDAY BY REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT ON THE ALBANIAN FRONTIER.

Two thousand prisoners are reported to have been taken, together with a large quantity of war material, including arms and light artillery.

Reports state that the R.A.F. and the Greek Air Force greatly contributed to the success of the operations.

### JAPAN'S ADVANCE SOUTH

Japan's advance southward has been spurred on by the British and American policy of aiding the Chungking regime and antagonising Japan, declared the Tokyo "Nichi-Nichi Shimbun" yesterday.

The newspaper continues: "Britain and Australia believe Japan will begin to move south in concert with Germany's Spring offensive but Japan's move south began when Japan announced the necessity for constructing an East Asiatic sphere."

It declares that rumours that conditions in the Far East are assuming serious proportions are only strategical British propaganda, and it describes the United States Government's advice to American residents to evacuate the Far East as one of the causes of "such wild and groundless rumours."

THE NEWSPAPER CONCLUDES: "SO LONG AS AMERICA HINDERS JAPAN'S ADVANCE SOUTHWARD SHE IS DESTINED TO ENCOUNTER JAPAN'S STOUT OPPOSITION." —REUTER.

felt sure they would get it. Mr. Hopkins planned to report to President Roosevelt last night. —Reuter.

### British Victory Certain

"I don't think Hitler can lick the British," were the first words of Mr. Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's personal envoy, when he arrived in New York yesterday by Clipper on his return from Europe.

Mr. Hopkins added: "The English are as tough a crowd as I think there is. With the help of this country there is no question but that England will win the war and it is not going to be a stalemated war."

He declared the British needed "a lot of help" and said he

The daring and skill of the British and Greek armies created the greatest enthusiasm among the Greek land forces.

The Greeks claim to have made another big drive in the gorges of the Predelesinje front, between Klissoura and Tepelini, on the centre of the battle front.

The Greek pursuit of the enemy continues.

#### Artillery Duel

A duel with occasional artillery fire is reported from the extreme northern sector of the front, where extensive Italian troop movements have been noted, probably in order to relieve these front line detachments with fresh troops in preparation for attempts to stiffen resistance.

"The Greek offensive in Albania is proceeding according to

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### Situation Grave, But Not Alarming

"Although the situation is grave I see nothing that need alarm or even seriously disturb a resolute people."

This statement was made in a broadcast by the Australian Attorney-General and Navy Minister, Mr. W. M. Hughes, from Sydney yesterday.

Mr. Hughes said the joint statement by the Acting Prime Minister and the Opposition Leader last week seriously disturbed the Australian people and may even have made them a little nervy.

Mr. Hughes added: "This will pass"—Reuter.

### NO HURRY TO LEAVE

DESPITE THE EVACUATION ADVICE BRITONS AND AMERICANS IN YOKOHAMA, NUMBERING OVER 1,000, SHOW NO SIGNS OF LEAVING JAPAN, STATES THE "HOCHI SHIMBUN."

It is understood that Britons and Americans who have already returned home since September totalled only 140.

Foreign companies are said to be carrying on as usual.—Reuter.

### MUSSOLINI AND FAR EAST

Mussolini and the Japanese Ambassador discussed the Far Eastern situation and measures to effect

### MILITARY ALLIANCE REPORT

BRITAIN IS NEGOTIATING WITH CHUNGKING FOR A MILITARY ALLIANCE, SAYS THE BANGKOK CORRESPONDENT OF THE TOKYO "YOMIURI SHIMBUN."

The proposed alliance, says the correspondent, is aimed at establishing joint Anglo-Chinese defence in the Far East and would provide the enlistment of Chinese in the South Seas in the British Army.—Reuter.

closer cooperation between Japan, Germany and Italy, says a Rome despatch to the Tokyo "Nichi-Nichi" to-day.—Reuter.

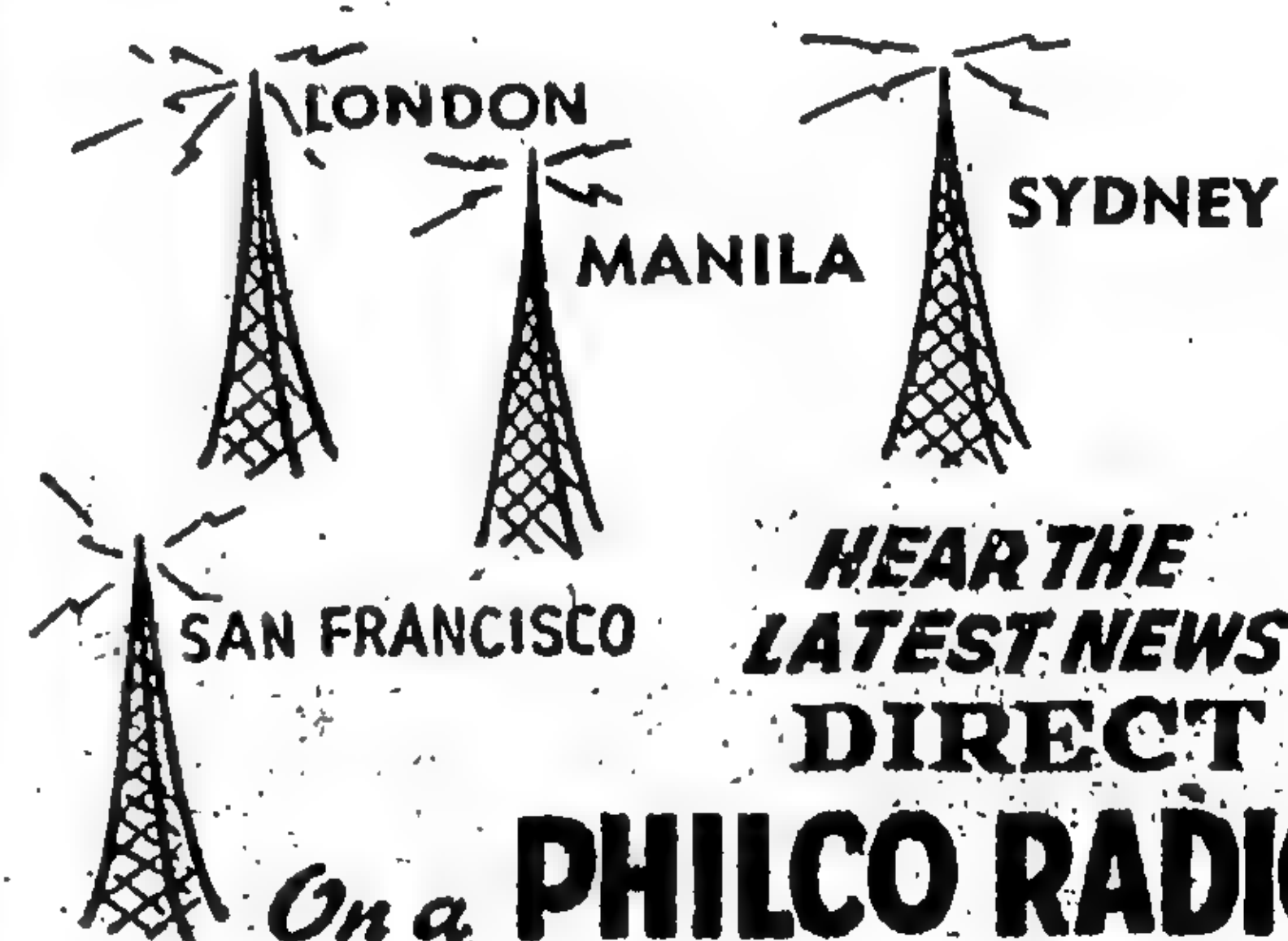
### IMPORTANT DECISIONS

A MEETING BETWEEN GERMAN AND BULGARIAN LEADERS IS EXPECTED SHORTLY, SAYS THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE SWISS NEWSPAPER "NATIONAL ZEITUNG."

THE CORRESPONDENT ADDS THAT POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES BELIEVE IMPORTANT DECISIONS ARE IMMINENT.—REUTER.

### HUNT FOR MAN OF ROYAL SCOTS

Private Comigan, of the Royal Scots, is reported to have "escaped from military custody" at 8.55 p.m. last Wednesday, according to a report made to the Police. The soldier has not yet been traced.



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# Abyssinia's Fleet Street In The Gojjam Highlands

## ARMED YOUTHS DISTRIBUTE SELASSIE PAPER

(By Reuter's Correspondent in Abyssinia)

ABYSSINIAN NEWSBOYS armed with spears and rifles are now distributing free the first national Ethiopian newspaper printed in the country for five years.

The newspaper, entitled Bandarachen, ("our Flag"), is being published in Abyssinia's Fleet Street in the forests of the Gojjam Highlands. It is bordered with the Ethiopian colours and is headed with an impression of the Lion of Judah.

During a forced trek through the bush I caught up with a camel convoy commanded by a young British officer who was formerly an engineer.

He gave me food and shoes and told me his unit was an Ethiopian propaganda one composed of strange camel trains that cross the Abyssinian lowlands to Gojjam.

His 60 camels carried a printing press, a complete newspaper staff, bundles of newsprint, boxes of Amharic type, some of which had been salvaged after the Abyssinian war, the Emperor's standard bearing the Royal seal and Ethiopian coloured boxes of silver dollars.

### Published Weekly

For some time pamphlets like these distributed by the R.A.F. have been dropped all over Abyssinia. Now this travelling newspaper has passed within a few miles of the enemy position to a spot in the forest where it is published weekly.

Armed Abyssinian newsboys are distributing the newspaper among Ethiopian forces and village populations, living even in caves and sometimes almost within a stone's throw of the enemy's camps. — Reuter.

## PRESSURE ON KEREN

THE CONCENTRATION OF ADDITIONAL TROOPS AROUND KEREN, IN ERITREA, IS PROCEEDING SATISFACTORILY, WHILE THE ADVANCE OF THE NORTHERN COLUMN CONTINUES, SAYS A BRITISH GENERAL HEADQUARTERS COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN CAIRO YESTERDAY.

The British have reoccupied the frontier post of Kurmuk, in Abyssinia, the communique continues, and in Italian Somaliland operations continue for the development of the British success at Kismayu. — Reuter.

### TWO WEDDINGS ANNOUNCED

The following forthcoming marriages are announced: Mr. Ng Hong Ming, Revenue Officer, and Miss Lui Kit Tung, of No. 220, Jaffe Road.

Mr. Ng Kam Chuen, Wireless Operator, H.K.N.V.F., and Miss Laung Chak Hing, of No. 25, Yik San Street.

### JAPANESE STILL AT TAMSHUI

Contrary to Chinese press reports this morning, Japanese troops in Tamshui have not withdrawn from the town.

Small units manning outposts north of Tamshui have, however, been withdrawn to Tamshui.

## NO RETURN TO PRE-WAR WORLD

In the course of a speech at Tonypandy yesterday Mr. Clement Attlee stressed to his audience that there could be no return to the pre-war world and the new world would have to be planned for.

With all the destruction British economic power remained and must be used on the right lines. "I would stress the point," he continued, "that after this war has been successfully ended our production power will be greater than ever and it is upon a foundation of properly planned organised people that the future welfare of the world will rest."

Concluding the Lord Privy Seal spoke of the Means Test Bill which, he said, had swept away the old conception that the care of those rendered indigent through circumstances outside their own control was a responsibility on the community.

"We have laid down a line as to what should be considered a reasonable standard of life. This is a great and far-reaching change of social policy." — British Wireless.

### FIREWOOD PRICE STILL RISING

A further increase in the price of firewood was recorded this morning when 20 cabbies were quoted for a dollar.

## SINGAPORE MINES

The Admiralty in London announced yesterday the laying of mines in the sea covering the eastern entrance to the Straits of Singapore.

Vessels wishing to pass through the area must apply to the British naval authorities for a route.

The area affected is bounded on the north by the parallel 002 degrees 30 minutes east, on the south by the parallel 001 degrees 35 minutes north, and on the west by the coast of Malaya. — Reuter.

## SPIRIT BEHIND WORKERS OF BRITAIN

BROADCASTING TO Canada yesterday afternoon Mr. Ernest Bevin spoke of the thankfulness felt by every British person for Canada's great contribution in men and materials towards the preservation of the British family of nations.

Of British Industrial organisation the Minister of Labour said: "If I could sum up the spirit of British industry generally I should say they are carrying out what I was privileged to ask them to do when I took office — never allow it to be said that a member of the forces went short of equipment or supplies or that the war was prolonged a minute because of any neglect or act of theirs."

It is in that spirit that British industrial life is being carried on. The task of defeating Hitler was very great. By forced labour and intimidation of the conquered countries he had brought under his control millions of people, plant and raw materials.

"Now, if we utilise every man and woman in the country on war production, we cannot hope to have the numbers he has but we have something he has not — a united nation."

Millions of people now under his control would throw off the yoke at the first opportunity but we have an army of men and women power knit together and determined not to waste or lose a moment at production.

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have the same will and grim determination that Hitler shall be defeated. — British Wireless.

## SENATE DEBATE ON WAR AID

ADMINISTRATION LEADERS HINTED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WILL PROBABLY REQUEST \$1,000,000,000 IN APPROPRIATIONS AND CONTRACT AUTHORITY TO BUILD PLANES, SHIPS, TANKS, GUNS AND MUNITIONS IMMEDIATELY THE WAR AID BILL IS APPROVED.

It is predicted that the Senate which begins to debate the Bill to-day, will approve the measure with some amendments within a fortnight. A comfortable majority of votes in favour is expected. — Reuter.

## ITALIAN GENOA CASUALTIES

Italian casualties in the British bombardment of Genoa on February 9, according to the official Italian news agency yesterday, totalled 144 killed and 272 injured. — Reuter.

## DEATH OF MOTHER MARY MOTTA

Mother Mary Motta, of St. Mary's School, died at St. Francis Hospital yesterday after a long illness, at the age of 38.

She was a most beloved member of the Staff of St. Mary's School and had been in the Colony for 10 years.

The funeral took place this morning at 10.30 a.m.

## EX-KING ALFONSO HAS QUIET DAY

A bulletin issued in Rome last evening stated that the condition of ex-King Alfonso of Spain has not worsened during the past 24 hours and he passed a fairly quiet day. — Reuter.

## ADVANCE IN ITALIAN SOMALILAND

With the occupation of Kismayu the whole of the south-western portion of Italian Somaliland up to the line of the Juba River is now overrun by British troops.

Approximately 10,000 square miles of enemy territory, an area greater than Wales, have fallen into British hands.

Units of the British Navy are cooperating by the bombardment of enemy concentrations on the coast.

On the northern sector, South African units have made further progress and numerous friendly natives welcomed the advancing troops.

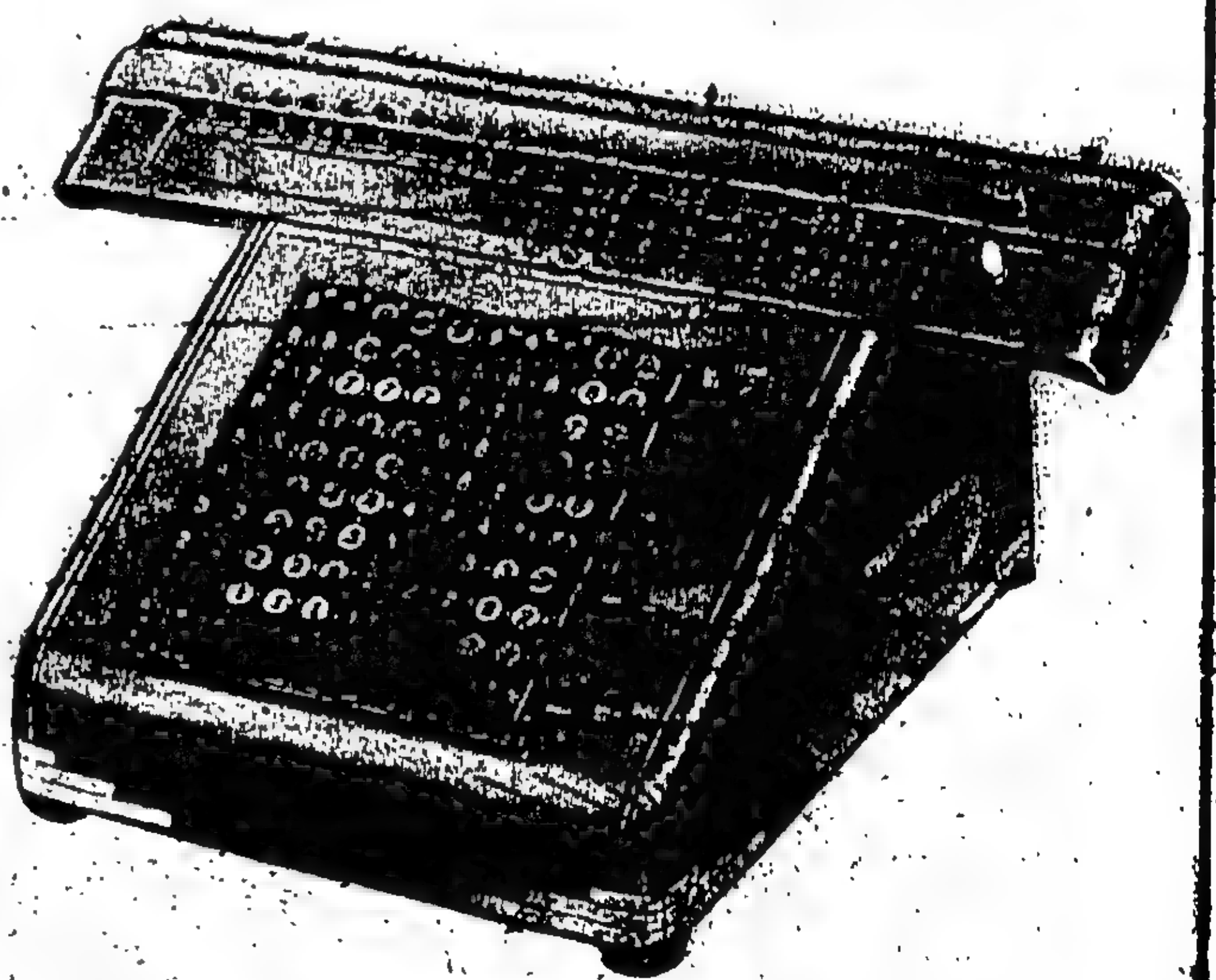
These natives complained of bad treatment, such as the forcible removal of their wives, children and stock by the Italians. — Reuter.

## VICHY'S BIG THREE

A message received in New York from Vichy yesterday stated that the new Government reorganisation is reported to be placing virtually all State powers in the hands of a military triumvirate comprising Marshal Petain, Admiral Darlan and General Huntziger. — Reuter.

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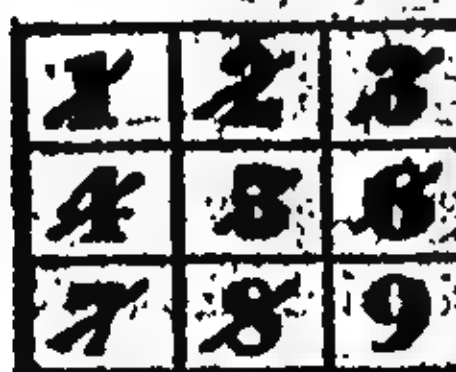
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# R.A.F. BLITZ ON THE DODECANESE

THE R.A.F. "BLITZ" on the Dodecanese island of Rhodes continued on Friday night, it was revealed in Cairo yesterday, and switching again from aerodrome targets our heavy bombers carried out a second attack on harbour installations.

Bombs fell among buildings at Lindos harbour and started a number of fires. The "blitz" is now in its second week.

R.A.F. cooperation in the Greek offensive on Saturday also included offensive patrols in the Tepelini area, according to a communique.

The South African Air Force, having gained virtual air supremacy over Italian Somaliland, continues to hammer away at the retreating enemy with remorseless energy.

Aircraft which on Saturday harassed the Italians in the Jelib Omo River area also machine-gunned motor transport vehicles between captured Kismayu and the next big port of Mogadisho, as well as a number of grounded Italian aircraft.

## Tale Of Punishment

These attacks followed equally successful operations on Friday and continue the tale of punishment preceding the capture of Almadu and Kismayu, which is made the feature of another special communique issued in Cairo yesterday.

British ground troops facing the enemy at Almadu, Bardera and near Kismayu were greatly heartened by the fierce aerial onslaught.

The accuracy of the South Africans' bombing and machine-gunning was confirmed by subsequent inspection.

In Abyssinia on Saturday a large motor transport park at Desale was successfully attacked from the air, while in Eritrea the R.A.F. continued to attack enemy troop concentrations, motor transport and other military objectives.

Hangars and workshops at Mai Adaga were bombed and a number of fires and explosions caused.

Two aircraft are missing from Saturday's operations over Rhodes, Albania and Italian East Africa.

## Albania Raids

Further heavy raids on enemy positions in the area to the north of Klissoura, in Albania, were made by R.A.F. bombers on Saturday in spite of unfavourable weather.

Military camps, supply dumps and gun emplacements were effectively bombed.—Reuter.

## SISTERS WED SIX HOURS AFTER 'PHONE CALL

Not until the telephone bell rang at six o'clock in the morning did two sisters know that it was to be their wedding day.

The 'phone message told them that their soldier bridegrooms, having been given last-minute leave, had travelled overnight for the double wedding. This took place six hours later at a Newcastle-on-Tyne parish church.

Twenty-year-old Marie Lillian Jensen married Lance-Corporal Richard Baillies, of the Border Regiment.

Her twenty-two-year-old sister Ellenor became the bride of Private William Jamieson, of the Royal Corps of Signals.

The girls, whose home is in Heaton Road, Newcastle, were both born in Denmark.

"Before the boys telephoned we did not know whether it was to be a single wedding, a double wedding, or just a party for the guests," their mother told a reporter.

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## DISEASE HE FOUGHT KILLS HIM

Sir Henry Head, the neurologist, has died at his Reading home at the age of seventy-nine, from the disease which he fought throughout his career — trembling paralysis.

The disease, also known as Parkinson's Disease, is characterised by trembling movements, tending to become more widely diffused throughout the body.

Sir Henry, who was the world's greatest authority on the disease, was one of the most heroic of martyrs to medical research.

Thirty-one years ago he deliberately risked paralysis by undergoing a dangerous experiment upon his nervous system. He undertook to have the nerves of his left arm severed near the elbow in order to study the problem of "deep sensibility," and he chronicled his feelings each day.

Out of this experiment specialists were able to acquire considerable knowledge as to how messages are transmitted from the nerves to the brain. It has led to new forms of surgery being developed in the treatment of nervous diseases.

Subsequently Sir Henry became afflicted with Parkinson's disease and he became a cripple.

Medical men from all parts of the world corresponded with him on abstruse problems of neurology, and as Sir Henry gradually lost the use of his hands his wife undertook all his correspondence and handled his reference books for him.

## FASHIONABLE — ON NOTHING

In a bare little room in a back street in Lisbon, Portugal, a young French dress designer from one of the most famous Paris fashion shops is living as a refugee.

She has scarcely any money, and she has rationed herself to make her funds eke out.

During the day she walks about the streets. She does not go far, for that would give her too big an appetite. She spends her time window-gazing to keep in touch with current fashions, until friends in America help her to join them.

She is typical of the French women refugees in Lisbon.

Homeless, almost penniless, they somehow still manage to look fashionably dressed.

As they walk along the streets teeming with the peoples of every nation, you can still pick them out, immaculate, tasteful, smart.

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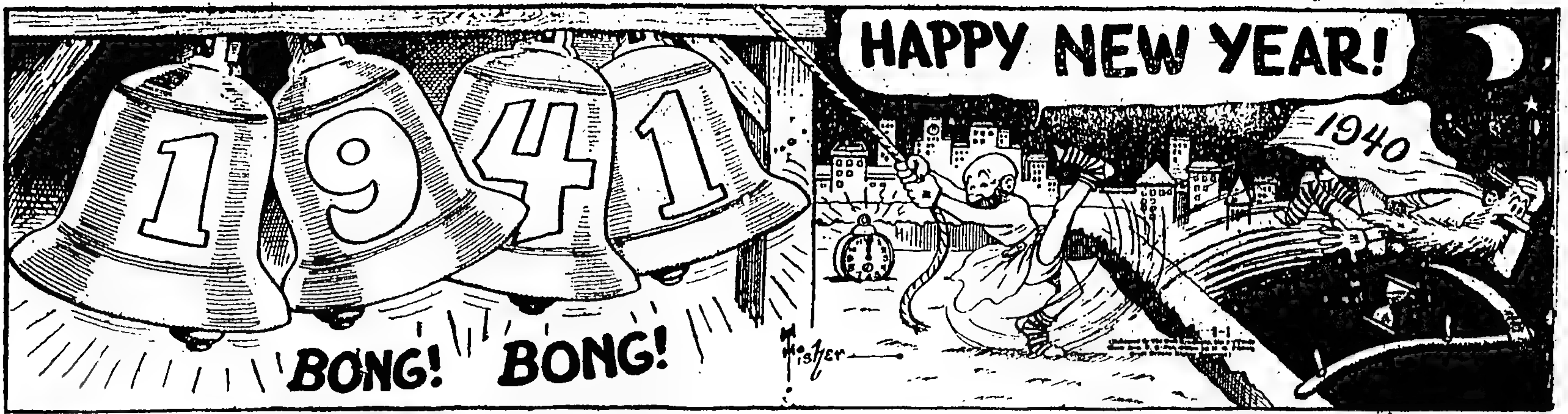
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# NAZI ATTEMPT TO OBLITERATE ALL OF POLISH LIFE

DESPERATE ATTEMPTS are being made by the Germans to remove all traces of Polish life in the western part of Poland, says a Reuter correspondent.

Even memorials and tomb-stones in cemeteries are being taken away and cemeteries are being ploughed up or turned into public parks.

The statues of many famous Poles are being removed by order of Dr. Franek, Nazi Governor of Poland.

Among them is the statue of Marshal Poniatowski, one of the most famous of Napoleon's marshals, who committed suicide after the Battle of Leipzig.

His statue stood in Pilsudski Square, the principal open space in Warsaw, where it was set up

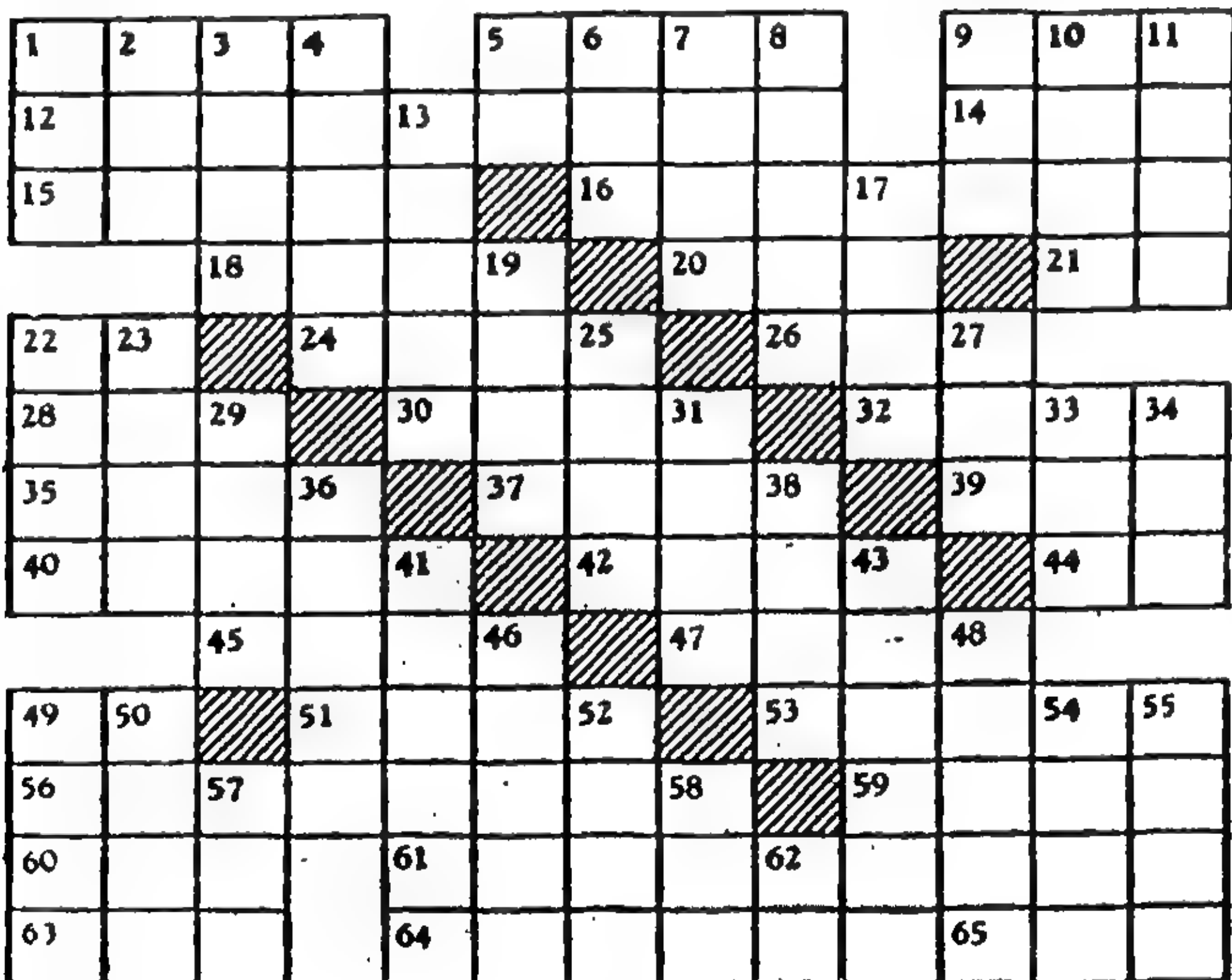
in 1923 after it had been brought back from Russia.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by Marshal Foch, who was then created a Polish Marshal.

The whereabouts of the statue is not now known.

The statue of Copernicus, owing to his world renown, has not been destroyed but the Polish inscription has been erased and replaced by a German one. — Reuter.

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- 9 Soft substance
- 12 Large reptile
- 14 Wing
- 15 Goddess of the hunt
- 16 Elastic
- 18 Horizontal foundation
- 20 Vast age
- 21 White
- 22 Siberian river
- 24 Carbon
- 26 To disencumber
- 28 Pig
- 30 Puzzle
- 32 Japanese aborigine
- 35 Levantine sailing vessel
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- 39 By
- 40 Palm genus
- 42 Old English court
- 44 Printer's measure
- 45 Cuban beverage
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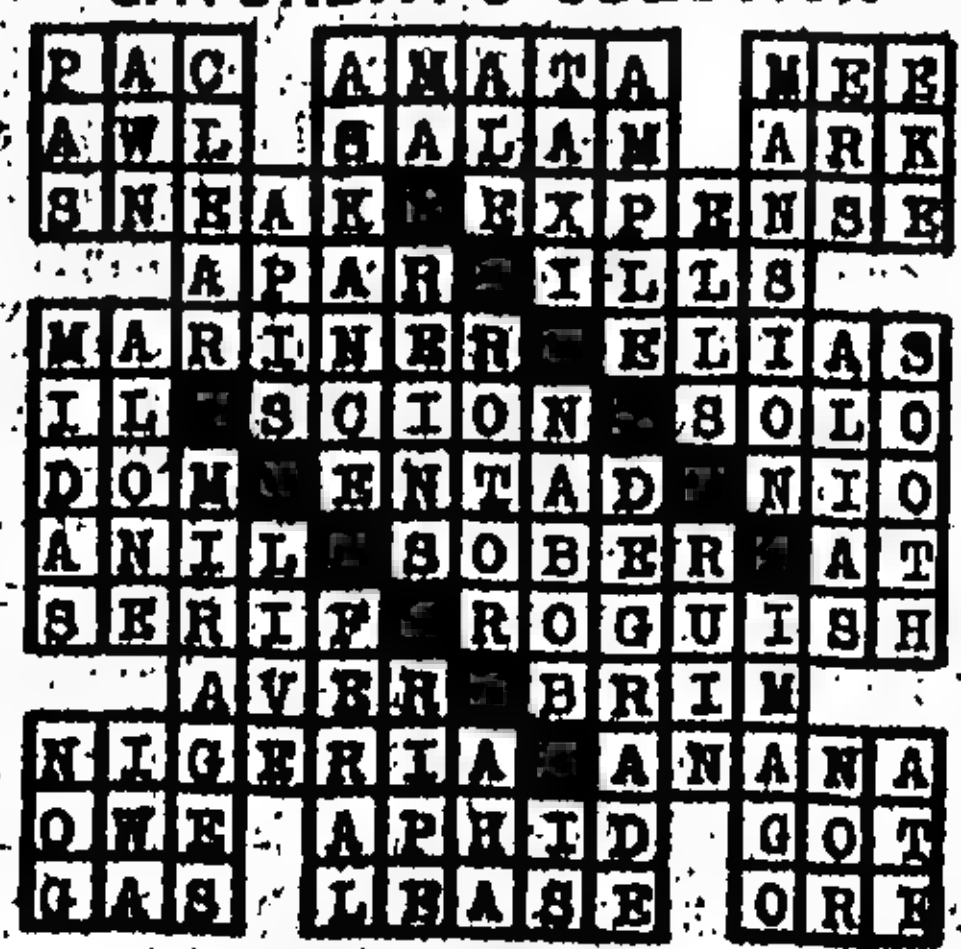
### VERTICAL

- 1 Boy
- 2 High priest
- 3 Cry of sorrow
- 4 Conclusion
- 5 Sun god
- 6 Pronoun
- 7 To drink excessively

### 8 Blunder

- 9 Woodland deity
- 10 Seaweed
- 11 Reimburses
- 13 Ancient dance
- 17 Fresh-water porpoise
- 19 Right
- 22 Bones
- 23 Large snakes
- 25 Implement
- 27 To immerse
- 29 Small bunch
- 31 Dregs
- 33 Born
- 34 Vase
- 36 City in Egypt
- 38 Repast
- 41 Hardens
- 43 Refuse
- 46 Concerning
- 48 To diminish
- 49 Tooth
- 50 Solo
- 52 Spanish room
- 54 Kiln
- 56 To tear
- 57 Marsh
- 58 Ignited
- 62 Earth goddess

### SATURDAY'S SOLUTION



## R.A.F. GIVE HUNS TEA— COLD!

A bomber squadron in the north of England has just presented the Germans with cold tea.

The squadron, unable to buy vacuum flasks, had taken hot tea in beer and whisky bottles wrapped in coats and mufflers.

But when the crews reached their objective in Germany the tea was cold. Disappointed, the airmen threw the bottles overboard.

When this story became known in the area where the squadron is stationed, local Rotary Clubs and Round Table organisations set out to find vacuum flasks for the boys.

Using precious petrol coupons, members and their wives combined chemists' and hardware shops for fifty miles around. Vacuum flasks, long and short, thin and fat, began to pour into the bomber station.

"We are grateful," one airman told a reporter. "Only the air crews know how cold long-distance night flights can be in winter."

"We look forward to a hot drink during the flight. None of us take spirits when 'on business.' Tea or coffee is nectar."

"Apart from the difficulty of buying vacuum flasks just now, so many are broken during flights that replacement is a problem."

A Rotarian said: "We had a stroke of luck in our search for flasks. My wife discovered a village chemist with a stock of two dozen. At first he would not sell us the lot. But when he knew they were for the R.A.F. boys he even allowed discount."

## BRITISH MISSION IN VENEZUELA

The British mission which has been visiting Latin-America under the leadership of Lord Willingdon has concluded a five-day visit to Venezuela, during which its members were guests of the Government and were lavishly entertained by the many friends of Britain's cause.

They had a series of conferences with Government officials and leaders of commerce and economic life.

The mission expressed satisfaction with the results achieved and the universal sympathy it encountered for the cause of the Allies. — Reuter.

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# DIED SAVING PAY CHEQUE AS THE SHIP SANK

(By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

YOU MIGHT CALL THEM the Royal Navy's Memory Corners. The Navy itself is not so sentimental. It calls them Reserved Effects Stores—just departments at Fleet depots.

But in these stores are gathered the treasured possessions of officers and men who have died in the war—little trinkets, photographs, letters, cap ribbons, silk handkerchiefs.

In tiny packages which are worth just nothing at all by the standards of the matter-of-fact world, the trinkets and letters and ribbons and photographs are sent to wives, mothers, sweethearts—who find them priceless.

They are packages of memories to these women, memories with a touch of heartbreak. Reminders of happiness which has gone, but which somehow still proudly lives on.

There are secrets. But the Navy's Memory Corners reveal some stories which can be told.

A widow living in the north of England treasures the photographs and odd trinkets left by her son. She knows he died in action. But she does not know that her boy gave his life so that his pals, escaping from a sinking ship, might get their pay.

### Died—For Their Pay

A cheque which found its way into the Reserved Effects store told the story.

Once a pay cheque is dispatched technically a crew is paid. This rating knew this. He dashed back to get the cheque so that his shipmates would be saved the bother of special pay claims. The cheque was found in his belt as he lay mortally wounded.

A young widow has a compact filled with the most expensive beauty aids and gadgets. Now she will never use them. Her husband was bringing it home to her when he died in action. The gift he sought out to give her a surprise now means memories to the girl he loved.

### Saved Her Ideal

And seamen are so sentimental. In practically every ditty box there are silk handkerchiefs, all deeply perfumed, bought as souvenirs thousands of miles from home. And there are bundles of family snaps.

The picture of an Iceland beauty adorned the inside of one ditty box; alongside, looking much nicer and more homely, was the snap of a girl—maybe the girl he had married or planned to make his bride.

And there are finds which, even among tragedy and heartbreak, bring a smile.

Such as the diary of the young sailor with the proverbial girl in every port—a careful list of his conquests all over the world.

There were, for instance, Olga in Sydney, Nancy in Colombo, Pearl in Shanghai.

Other diaries, lacking in that kind of romance, tell of hard fighting, with heroism between the lines of stories written down with almost schoolboy precision.

Sometimes the men who run these Memory Corners have saved wives and sweethearts from memories which would be bitter.

A kindly captain made sure that a newly-married girl did not learn from a batch of letters kept by her sailor husband that he had broken her trust, and the trust of another innocent girl, too.

Memory Corner, R.N., holds secrets. That is one of them.

### END FIRST-CLASS, SAYS M.P.

Because of overcrowding of suburban trains during rush hours Mr. Parker (Soc., Romford, Essex) will ask the Minister of Transport to ask the Railway Executive Committee to abolish first-class carriages.

## AUDIENCES RECOGNISE HIM

Screen audiences in London are not good at recognising R.A.F. leaders and the applause does not break out until the commentator has given the name.

There is one exception. Air Chief Marshal Sir Frederick Bowhill, of the Coastal Command, is often applauded as soon as his short, vigorous, determined figure appears on the screen. His projecting eye-brows are another clue to recognition.

Yet Sir Frederick shuns publicity, and after he had been unknowingly filmed for the "March of Time" recently the news had to be broken gently to him.

Sir Frederick's staff, knowing his tastes, sometimes quietly arrange to shield him from publicity.

### Tempestuous Tennis

Three photographers recently learned of his habit of living, not by the clock but by the barometer. When the glass is set for

## "SHOW SOVIET WRECKED GERMAN AIRCRAFT"

Mr. John Morgan (Soc., Doncaster) is to ask the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Aircraft Production:—

"If he will suggest to the competent Soviet Russian authorities that it might be in their interests to accept an offer of a conducted tour of the various dumps of wrecked German aircraft scattered throughout this country with a view to such expert note being taken of the types of machine so dealt with and for any other reason they may consider worth while."

flying weather, Sir Frederick does not appear in public.

When the barometer says gales and storms, he goes off to play tennis, a game at which he is expert.

The photographers, hearing of this, picked a day of tempests and waited by the tennis court. So Sir Frederick's staff quietly arranged for their chief to play in a match elsewhere that day.

He still does not know why he was asked to use a different court, or that while he was winning his match, three photographers were waiting in the gale by a slackened tennis net.

### MANY-STOREYED SHELTERS

Suggestions for bomb-proof large multi-storeyed reinforced concrete shelters above or below ground in densely-populated areas are made in a letter sent to Mr. Morrison, Minister for Home Security, by the A.R.P. Co-ordinating Committee.

# From R.A.F.—By Cupid Air Mail

FLUTTERING TO EARTH from a low-flying R.A.F. plane came a well-padded foolscap envelope bearing this legend:—

"Are you a friend of the R.A.F. boys? If you are, please take the enclosed note to the address on its envelope and oblige the R.A.F. Cupid Air Mail."

It landed on the roof of a surface air-raid shelter on the seafloor of a West Country town.

Girls climbed on the shoulders of their boy friends in a hectic scramble to reach the envelope first.

It was shown to me by Private Roy Bennett, whose sister Beryl got there first, writes a reporter. He told me:—

"Lots of people stood round when we opened the fat envelope. Inside we found another long fat envelope, folded long-wise.

"It was addressed to Miss Dorothy Howard, but the chap who threw it out had got the wrong town, for the address was a street in a town some miles down the coast.

"Beryl did not know what to do about it, and suggested we put it in the post, but a man in the crowd said he would be going to—on business later in the day and would take it to the address.

### To His Wife

When I talked to a group of R.A.F. officers about the Cupid air-mail they were suspicious.

"You'll get someone in a deuce of a row," said one of them.

None of them had ever heard of the "R.A.F. Cupid Air Mail." "That's somebody's idea of a joke," said one.

But they knew pilots and air crews often drop messages to relatives or friends.

"When I was at one aerodrome there was a chap who always wanted me to drop a note for his wife when I was likely to fly anywhere near his home town."

"I did it twice, and the first time she got the letter. She wrote saying a woman took it to her at ten o'clock at night after finding it in her garden."

"I'm afraid it's not a very reliable kind of air mail, for the notes are just as likely to fall on road tops as on the ground."

### BOMB INJURES V.C.

Colonel W. E. Gordon, V.C., C. B. E., late of the Gordon Highlanders, and Major A. Crozier, were rescued badly injured after being trapped in the bombed house in London.

Colonel Gordon, who is seventy-four, won the V.C. in South Africa.





## THE "NEW (DIS)ORDER"

Denmark and Norway were the first of the nations to be overrun by the Nazi mechanised harbingers of Europe's "new order." Denmark has necessarily accepted what for it is the inevitable. But Norway, with a little more geography on its side, is proving less susceptible to the Nazi threat.

The news now beginning to find its way out of Norway in considerable quantities indicates that unrest has been increasing there for some time. It indicates that similar turmoil characterises the rule of the Nazis over other occupied nations, even though opposition has not yet become so overt or violent as to be observed in neighbouring States with a press still free to report it to the world.

But in Norway, one Nazi writer finds himself reduced to asserting defensively that even Norwegian Nazis "should have a right to exist!" In Western Norway, particularly, a pro-British attitude is marked. And attempts of the Quisling "government" to oust local officials in favour of Nazis appear to be without effect, since the people are reported as ignoring the orders of the central authority.

As long ago as November an acute situation arose between the "government" and the Supreme Court, and in December this culminated in the resignation of the Court. Current reports show the Norwegian Nazis as unable to police the country and say they are compelled to call for German help.

Frequent reports of physical attacks by Norwegians on German police paint a picture that looks like anything but a diagram of order, new or old. The press, no less than many of the people, seems to be maintaining a sullen independence of posed authority for the Norwegian Nazis complain that they cannot get the proper support from the newspapers. Indeed, reports from Sweden say newspapers have had to be suppressed repeatedly for attacking the Quisling outfit.

The German Nazis in Norway evidently are learning that it takes more than might to establish order, more than ter-

Sir Arnold Wilson was a strange man. Broadly speaking, he knew all and all knew him. Deeply speaking he knew none and none knew him. He was the son of Canon Wilson who left him a keen love of the classics and a conscience that would not leave him alone.

He was also blessed with that amazing attribute, an unfailing memory. It worried and fretted and badgered his mind. He fed it on whole acts of Shakespeare's plays which he would reel out a year after, never mistaking or misplacing a word, fluently, smoothly and monotonously.

He began life as a regular soldier. He was always conscientious, meticulous, prompt to perform his duty. At Sandhurst he won the King's Medal and the Sword of Honour as the best all-rounder among the gentlemen Cadets of his year. From his brother officers he stood out for the many-sidedness of his interests, his seriousness, his capacity for hard work.

In 1903 he went out to serve in India. He passed from the Army to the Political Service. He was stationed in Persia, acted as British Consul in city after city, pitted his wits against the agents of Tsarist Russia.

He was often alone. He read many books and he stored the knowledge in his mind. While his memory was occupied and his conscience was satisfied Arnold Wilson was happy.

War came to Asia from the West. Wilson went out with the Indian Expeditionary Force to Iraq. The campaign left him with many memories; memories of

ferce endurance and bitter suffering, steamers chugging up the Tigris under the burning sun, of flights high over ruined cities. He went to the war a soldier and a Civil Servant. He came out also an airman.

He went back to his own job when the war was over. He rose high in the Service. They made him Civil Commissioner and Political Resident on the Persian Gulf. He was a rigid administrator and a just one. If he showed little pity for the failings of those he governed it was because he had none for his own. His service completed, Arnold Wilson returned to England. He

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married and had children. He wrote on many subjects and edited a national review. He was knighted and elected to Parliament. But that relentless conscience still would not let him alone. There was, for example, his duty to help hospitals.

But he could not give them money. So he gave them his blood instead for transfusion. His life had been hard and healthy and vigorous. His blood was rich in certain properties that were in constant demand. Many calls came to him. He answered them all.

At the by-election which returned him to Parliament his Labour opponent was badly hurt in an accident and lay weak from loss of blood. Wilson furnished his own blood at once to remedy the loss. There was a good deal

of comment among people to whom cynicism comes easier than sacrifice. They called it self-advertisement, and a cheap vote-catching trick. Nobody who knew the man could have talked that way, for very few people did know him.

When the Europe of between-the-wars, that Europe that spoke so nobly and acted so shabbily, cast up Hitler out of the agony of its suffering, Arnold Wilson went to Germany to study the new movement. He was impressed. He was more than impressed. He was genuinely moved. The apparent self-sacrifice and devotion of Nazism stirred his being. He liked the ruthless efficiency with which it moved to attain its aims. And the dark side of it escaped him. . . . he never saw the wretched thinkers shut away behind the wires or the party bosses swilling champagne on the subscriptions of men and women who went short of bread to pay them.

Back to England he came as an advocate, as the advocate of friendship between Democratic England and Nazi Germany.

It was not his habit to restrain his convictions or to tone his views down. He said and he wrote what he thought, quite indifferent to abuse and serenely impervious to awkward points that were raised against him.

He believed in his case and he argued it until Germany gave her answer. That was in September, 1939.

Arnold Wilson was stunned. It was as if Hitler's blow against civilisation had struck him across the eyes. By chance we met and he poured out his soul to me.

"Because of the wrong done by men like myself," he said, "tens of thousands of young men will die. It is terrible. I believed in Hitler and his creed. When I should have been denouncing, I must have been denouncing. I must have been denouncing. I must have been denouncing."

He went to the War Office and they offered him an important staff job. He refused and went to the Air Ministry. They said they could use him in the Intelligence. "I must fight," was his answer. He went to the recruiting office of the Royal Air Force and demanded to be examined for his physical fitness. Although 55 years of age he passed every test because one of his axioms was to keep himself absolutely fit.

So he went into action. With the lowest commissioned rank in the Air Force he served as a gunner cooped in a turret intended for the slim bodies of young men. Over the land, over the mountains and over the sea he flew. He fought in the skies over Norway during that disaster. Flying over Germany on those keen spring nights he confronted cold, uncertainty, fatigue, danger. He was as brave as any man and as uncomplaining. But the odds were heavy and the war was going badly.

An anxious House of Commons gathered to hear the Prime Minister. It was one of those debates that historians, dramatists and film producers will be reconstructing till the end of time. It was the debate that brought Chamberlain down. Arnold Wilson rose to speak. He wore his Air Force blue. There were many ribbons on his chest. There he stood earnestly pleading for more restraint, more dignity, while member after member rose to assail the tottering Chamberlain Government.

I saw him and I was astonished at the change. The great frame was almost gaunt, the cheeks sunken, there were warning shadows under his eyes.

And because I loved the man, I went up afterwards and pleaded with him. I took him to my house. I reasoned, argued, tried to persuade. Whatever the atonement he thought necessary he had surely made it now. "It may be," he said. "It may be I have made my atonement. But now something else has happened. It's those boys in my Squadron. They've come to look to me in rather a fine way. . . . I couldn't let them down. You see, when I joined the R.A.F., I took a vow. I swore to serve as a gunner for one year. And as a gunner I must see that year out."

He went away into the black-out and I was left there wondering.

Now it happened that two weeks later I was appointed to an important post in the Ministry of Aircraft Production. I needed a man who was experienced and eloquent. A man with forcefulness and strong personality and I thought and thought of Arnold Wilson.

Two things were in my mind. One was that we really needed him. The other was that we must save him from death.

Once more the House of Commons was meeting, meeting in the shadow of mighty happenings and I was certain Arnold Wilson would be there. The Nazi flood was rolling westward. Holland was engulfed. The Belgians had gone under and France was drowning. All those things for which the West had stood were threatened as they had not been threatened since the Goth rattled at the gates of Imperial Rome. The British Army fought its way stubbornly back to Dunkirk. Only our amazing Air Force, sustaining a combat hopelessly unequal up above the narrow seas, was there to preserve the freedom of men's souls, the liberty of their consciences into ages beyond the computing of men.

So Europe's last free Parliament assembled to hear the new Prime Minister Mr. Winston Churchill. But he was not there. Perhaps after all he had not been able to get leave.

The day wore on towards late evening. I could not sit still listening to the sequence of the back bench speeches. Outside in Parliament Square I bought an evening paper. There was his picture. He looked at me from the front page. A few lines underneath explained that Sir Arnold Wilson, M.P., was missing. He was one of the planes over Germany that failed to return. Arnold Wilson had been seen in his last moments, was at the

# Mechanisation Found Key To British Desert Coup

One of the marvels connected with Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell's rapid advance across the desert, through sand storms and cold nights, was the smooth working of the maintenance system that made sustained high speed possible.

Tanks, in particular, demand a high standard of efficiency in this respect. In Britain's armoured divisions, each brigade has its "light recovery" section, its light repair section, and an ordnance field park section, which carries in packets all light material required for use by the regimental light-aid detachments.

Behind all this is the divisional workshop which takes on all the heavy repair work.

This is not the spectacular side of modern mechanised warfare. But neither is gasoline delivery, except perhaps when done the way the Germans sometimes did it in France—by having planes bring up gasoline, making a crash landing with it if necessary.

## Vital To Success

These prosaic matters are vital to success, however, and in Britain's sudden desert thrust the organisation of them was as smooth moving as the tanks and armoured cars and trucks themselves.

It was precisely the non-arrival of mechanical transports from Italy, that, according to Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, was responsible for the fact that he had not already attacked the British by the time they attacked him.

Working in close collaboration with the motor battalions, the heavy tanks, the cruiser tanks and other units is another innovation—an elusive machine known colloquially as "the dingo," an Australian term for wild dog.

This little scout car has heavy armouring, bullet-proof tires, a very powerful engine, and a happy capability for running forward or backward at speeds up to 60 miles an hour without turning around.

This unique characteristic enables the driver to advance along a road, and if suddenly made aware of the presence of the

enemy, to shift gears, skew himself round sideways in a self-adjusting seat, and make away at top speed.

This is a vital consideration since the dingo's job is to carry a platoon commander on a personal

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reconnaissance, or convey dispatches at times when the tanks are preserving wireless silence.

## Radio In Every Tank

Because of the speedy intercommunication, essential between the armoured units, a wireless transmitter and receiver are strung out on every tank. At times, however, it is either inappropriate or impossible to use them.

The motor battalion is a new feature of Britain's armoured division, each of which is now a self-contained formation, comprising a proportion of all arms and its supporting services, which are needed for fighting on its own.

The motor battalion has important duties to discharge.

It is a force of infantry carried by motor transport, fighting on foot, and required to be capable of doing a long route march in case of necessity.

It has the responsibility for seeing that the tanks are not frittered away in an attack—clearing the way for them, overcoming anti-tank opposition, and making sure that the tank commanders—gentlemen with a prodigious amount to think about—get as much rest as possible—particularly at night when they are "in harbour."

The same considerations apply in withdrawal, and the motor battalion provides an armoured brigade commander with means, under his own administration, of covering his retreat.

General Wavell's whirlwind offensive has been a tale of the Royal Armoured Corps thrusting unexpectedly through to the Italian areas, turning toward the coast to strike from flank and rear, as well as the front, severing com-

munications, throwing supports into confusion, keeping the foe from effective reorganisation by rapid sustained advance of bomber-aided armoured fighting vehicles, while truck-borne infantry rushed up to consolidate the positions gained, to subdue the points of stubborn resistance, and to round up the prisoners.

To appreciate how this new force has come about, one needs to consider a transformation that has taken place in Britain's land forces here and in the Middle East since the fall of France, which cost the British expeditionary force all its mechanical equipment.

The only redeeming feature of the defeat in North France was that it caused compulsory re-equipment of the British Army on absolutely the most modern lines. This process now has been carried so far that military authorities tell me they believe Britain possesses in its Royal Armoured Corps, tanks and other armoured vehicles at least as good as or possibly superior in certain respects to those at Germany's disposal.

## Proof Of Efficiency

Operations in the western desert have provided the first real illustration of what the Royal Armoured Corps formations can do in attack. In France, the Royal Armoured Corps was responsible for divisional reconnaissance, but it was then—as an eyewitness expressed it—"all over the shop," the Army Tank Brigade being north of the Somme and Britain's only armoured division being south of that river.

Not only were these two components of the corps separated instead of being united in action, but the motor battalion which should have been an integral part of the armoured division, was north of the Somme and certain other detachments were lacking as well.

Despite the persistent threat of a possible invasion of Britain by Germany, many tanks and other equipment have been sent out to Egypt and, to cite Marshal Graziani's report: "It was in the crushing superiority of the armoured units, which were employed en masse, that the reason for the enemy's initial success was to be found."

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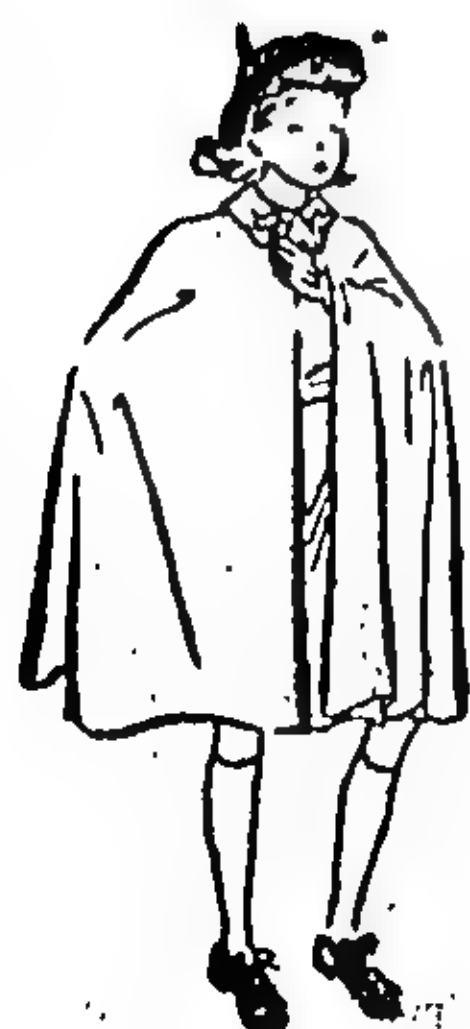
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# Englishwoman In Nazi Gaol Would Not Quit Friends

"TELL MY FAMILY THAT I am well, cheerful and confident; that I am busy in my work at the Y.W.C.A. in Paris and have sufficient funds to face the winter."

This message, telephoned through the Foreign Office, is the last heard by friends in London of Miss May James, fifty-year-old, white-haired Englishwoman arrested by the Gestapo in Paris on charges of espionage and illegal possession of a radio transmitting set.

It was received on September 14. Since then a brief message sent through American friends has trickled to her relatives. "My love to all — I am quite well," it said. It reached England only a few days before her imprisonment was announced.

## Second Nurse Cavell

Miss Florence Buckingham, who was in Paris for ten years with Miss James, said at the Coventry Y.W.C.A.:

"It will be a second Nurse Cavell without even the justification of Nurse Cavell's action if they dare to do anything to Miss James."

"Every one who knew Miss James would tell you that she was absolutely straightforward. I do wish I was with her now in her trouble."

Miss Curwen, national general secretary of the Y.W.C.A., said at London headquarters:

"If the implications were not so serious it would be laughable to imagine Miss James as a spy. We have heard from Lisbon that although the Gestapo ransacked the hostel from attic to cellar no such transmitter was discovered."

"When the Germans broke through in France Miss James had her chance to leave Paris. She preferred to stand by the forty English and Americans who were still at the hostel at No. 26, Rue d'Anjou."

Miss Charlotte Niven, former general secretary of the World Y.W.C.A., who met Miss James in Paris every year, gave this word portrait of her:

"In her smart tailor-made costume coat she epitomised the well-turned-out Englishwoman in Paris. Slender and erect, she looked at you with blue eyes in a direct and straightforward gaze. "There was nothing subtle about Miss James. She had no time for politics or military secrets. Her sole interest in life was the welfare of women at the hostel."

"As for radio — she had as much knowledge of operating a transmitter as of driving a traction engine. My opinion is that she was more spied upon than spying."

Mrs. Ida Gregory, Miss James's sister-in-law, who lives at Ham Common, near Richmond, said: "Miss James has hundreds of American friends. I am confident that they, and the British Foreign Office, are doing everything in their power, to clear her from this fantastic charge."

## Stay Of Execution

Miss Winifred Harle, the fifty-one-year-old Englishwoman under sentence of death in a Paris prison, lived in Paris and paid rare visits to England. She, too, was a Y.W.C.A. worker.

Miss Harle's aunt, who lives in Shelley Road, Worthing, said that she had written to the Foreign Office pleading for help. So far only a stay of execution has been granted.

Miss Harle and Miss Florence Frickard are accused of spreading pro-British propaganda.

Miss Harle's aunt said that the two women were great friends. She said:

"It is several years since I saw my niece. Most of her friends are in France. Her father was a solicitor at Southampton. She has no relatives apart from myself and another aunt in Australia."

## NAZI DIPLOMAT SHOT

The body of Richard von Heynitz, German Charge d'Affaires in the Republic of Salvador, has been found in a wood with a bullet in the head. It is believed that he committed suicide.

## SHELTER SQUAD OF WOMEN POLICE

Forty London police-women have been formed into a Girl Protection Patrol to move about the capital to prevent black-out and shelter incidents.

The squad includes an inspector, eight sergeants, and 31 constables.

They are not attached to any division. Their "beat" is the whole Metropolis, and they will patrol from headquarters, in the same way as the "Flying Squad."

The policewomen have been formed into the squad because of the many recent complaints of incidents in the raid shelters and in the blacked-out streets.

## Special Report

Special officers of Scotland Yard who investigated conditions in the Tubes and other shelters at night have recently reported to Sir Philip Game the Commissioner, on the conduct of some people using the shelters.

Sir Philip has also received urgent representations from the London Public Morality Council to provide a full-time watch on the shelters and to appoint more women police to assist in the task.

# The Yanks Are On The Way

THE YANKS REALLY are coming now — and, in the words of a recruiting sergeant, their tempers are "something awful."

They are pouring across the border to enlist in the Canadian forces because they are in a raging temper with a man named Adolf Hitler, and they want to vent it on him in full.

Sheer fury at Hitler's outrages on London's civilians, and the belief that not even the United States can be God's own country until he is crushed, is the obvious reason for the latest rush of American recruits to the Canadian Colours.

In Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and other big cities Americans are arriving by foot, train and car, all saying in a variety of strong ways: "Let me get at that man Hitler."

Joe Goole, of Pittsburgh, who arrived in Montreal by train, told how nights of bad Hitler dreams made him decide he could never be at peace until he "helped to whip him."

## U.S. Canadians

"I want to get over to Europe as soon as I can," added Joe. "Look at my foot. I feel it was made to kick that guy Hitler in the pants."

In a big Montreal hotel they told how a young man arrived in a chauffeur-driven car with rich friends in other cars.

He threw a big party, then smashed glasses and hurried off to join up.

## BOMB GIFT FOR HITLER

An offer to pay the cost of a half-ton bomb and enough petrol for it to be dropped on Hitler's Berchtesgaden home has been made to Mr. Churchill by Mr. Haldeman-Julius, a book publisher of Girard, Kansas, U.S.A.

He has written to Mr. Churchill, saying: "I will pay the cost of bomb, plus petrol, if you will assign a competent pilot to drop it on the chief butcher's Berchtesgaden habitat, the scene of Hitler's conspiracies against civilisation."

## GANG LEADER IS GAOLED

Said by the police to be leader of a gang of youths, James Arthur Meek (18), a Shoreditch labourer, was at Old Street, sentenced to six months' hard labour. He pleaded "Guilty" to stealing a quantity of shirts, neckties, pullovers and other articles of clothing, of the total value of £190.

He lived on his own, his parents having been evacuated. "He is the leader of a gang of youths who have been using his room as a clearing-house for goods stolen during the black-out," said a police witness.

Major Roy, of the big recruiting centre at Place-Viger Barracks, Montreal, said a day never passes without Americans offering themselves for service.

"Some are college men of good social background, others are working men. All are magnificent," he added.

## Figures Secret

The rush of Americans to serve in the Canadian Royal Air Force is so great that numbers have been turned down until there is room for them.

The Commonwealth Air Training scheme has at least 250 American instructors.

It is impossible to say accurately how many thousands of Americans have enlisted in Canada. Such figures are not revealed and there is an additional difficulty in that so many recruits from across the border give Canadian addresses.

"It is strange how many men with strong New York or Southern accents solemnly announce they were born in Quebec or Ontario," said a Canadian Officer.



# WOMEN RUN NAZI H.Q. IN INTERNEE HOTEL

HITLER'S YOUTH Headquarters among the aliens interned in the Isle of Man is a plain-fronted hotel across the island at Port Erin — and it is peopled by women and girls, writes a correspondent.

Visitors are not allowed to enter either Port Erin or Port St. Mary, but the Manx people have permits to move in and out of the camps—which are in reality hotels and boarding-houses—and the majority of residents are still there catering for the aliens. There are about 3,000 women in the two camps. Of these the active Nazis number just over 100.

A form of segregation has been carried out, as in the case of the men's camps, and all the Hitlerites among the women are living together. But they are free to move about among the rest of the internees.

Occasionally there is friction. Locally the 100 are known as the "trouble makers" and the hotel in which they live as "Hitler Youth H.Q."

Frankly these "trouble makers" are a source of trouble, but very shortly they may be placed in much stricter confinement, possibly outside the island.

## 1,000 Pro-Nazis

One Port Erin boarding-house keeper to whom a reporter talked said she regards the women in her house as "paying guests."

They are, of course, billeted at the expense of the Government, but many of the women have private means and are able to buy luxuries freely.

"We get on very well with all of them except the small clique," she said, adding, "they hate everything British."

To-day, too, I have learned more about the men's camps, and on very reliable authority I was given these ratios of the aliens' sentiments:

Strongly pro-British, 60 per cent.  
Neutral, 25 per cent.  
Strongly anti-British, 15 per cent.

This 15 per cent. figure is higher than my investigations so far had indicated. It means that there must be well over 1,000 Nazis and Fascists in the camps.

If that is so, there is still more segregation to be carried out.

The Ramsey camp has been a trouble spot. One political dispute there started by the Nazi element led to a general scuffle, and the guard had to intervene.

This incident, I understand, was attributed to some extent to the fact that it had not then been possible to classify the internees and place together those of similar faiths.

## GREATER RANGE IN THE AIR

A slight increase has occurred in the ranges at which aerial combat takes place, and fighter pilots believe there will be a more marked increase soon.

At one time it was thought that the limit to the effective air-fighting range for a machine-gun was 200 yards; but a change was brought about by the multiplication in the number of guns converging on the same target and by improvements in gun-sights.

The next step up in range will be made when cannon replace or supplement machine-guns. Cannon manufacturers claim that effective fire can be opened at 1,000 yards. Such an increase would be a big advantage, but the necessity for using cannon does not arise from this alone.

It arises also from the need for projectiles that will cope with the self-sealing fuel tanks used by the Germans and with the armour protection given to their pilots.

## SHERIFF KILLED BY BOMB

Mr. G. Percy Trentham, one of the sheriffs of the City of London, was killed in an air-raid in London.

Mr. Trentham was elected last year to the Court of Common Council, representing the Bread Street Ward, and was installed as sheriff last September after having been defeated by a narrow margin in 1939.

He was the head of a firm of public works contractors which bears his name, and a liveryman of the Pavlovs, Cordwainers' and Glovers, Haberdashers' and Liners' Companies.

A fly fisherman of international renown, he had captained the English team on two or three occasions.

"new European order," the correspondent asks: "Are we really moving towards peace?"

"So the Paris newspapers say. "On the other hand public opinion if the views of people shivering in queues before half-empty shops, grumbling about restrictions and complaining of the lack of heating as the temperature sinks to three degrees below zero can be so-called—believes scarcely a word the papers print." —Reuter

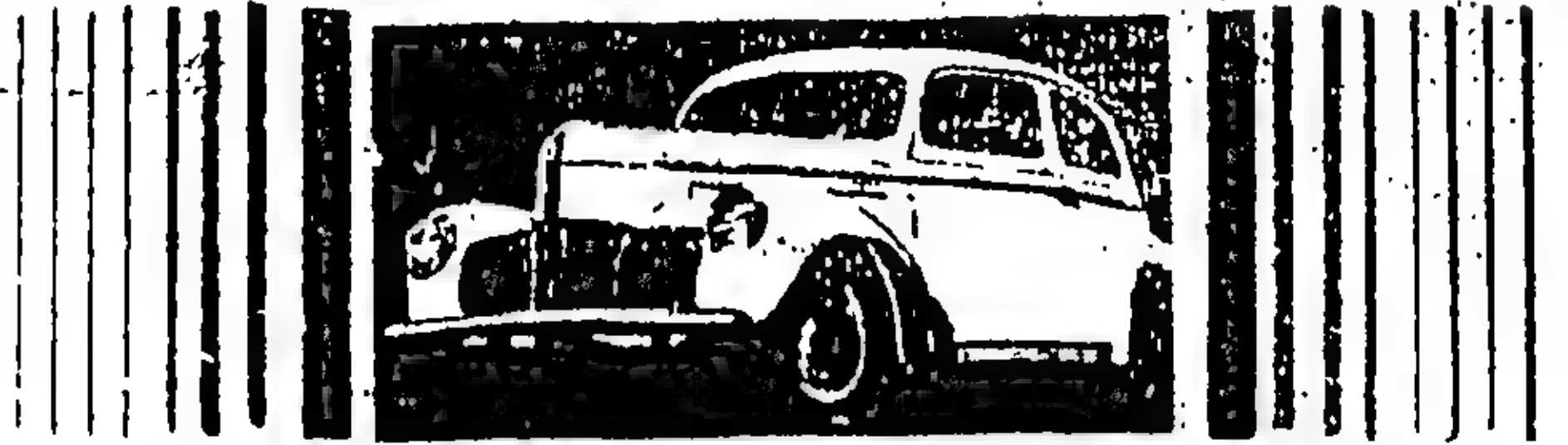
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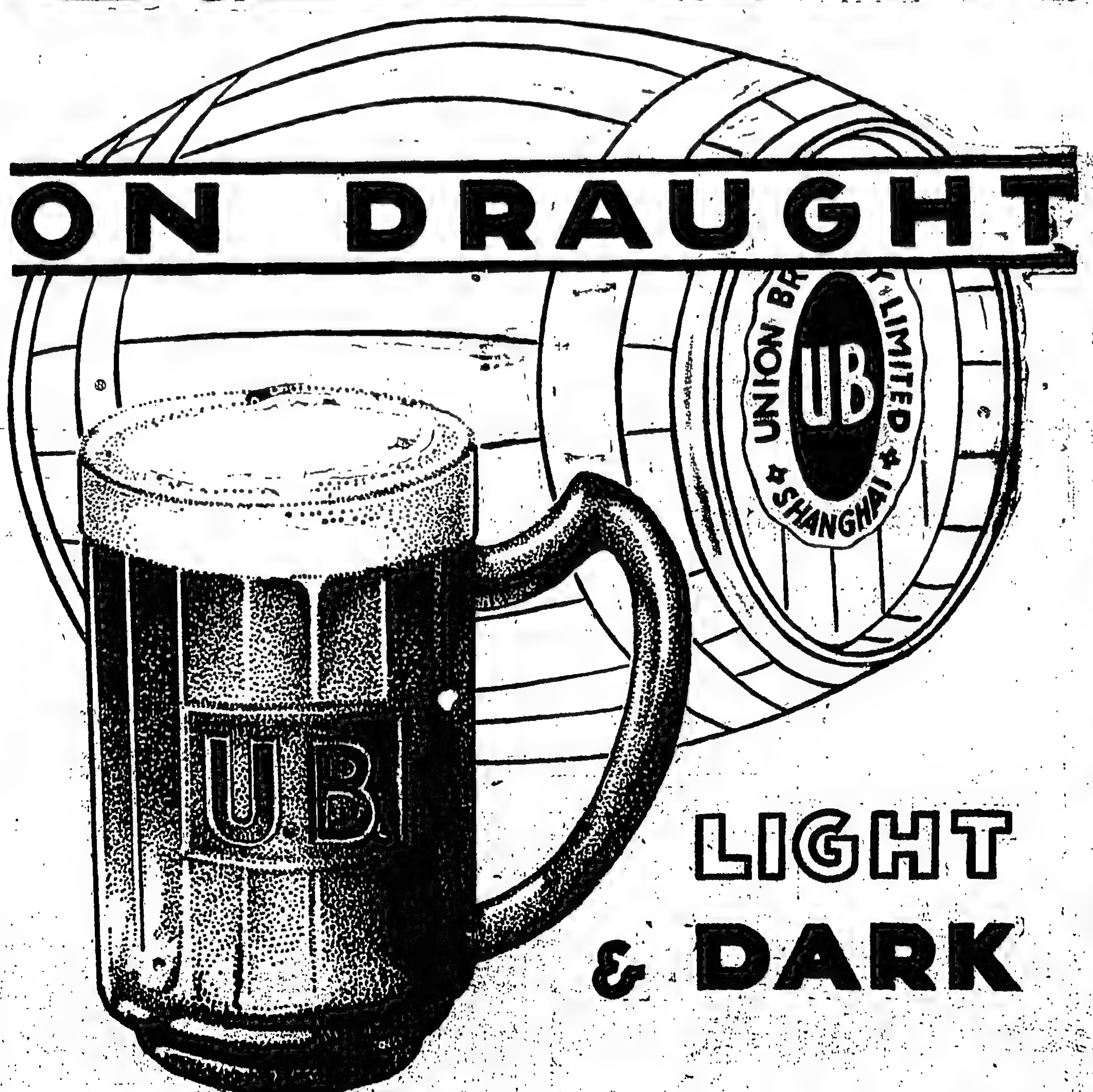
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NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th February, 1941, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940. The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Thursday, the 13th February to Wednesday, the 26th February, 1941 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th February, 1941.

## THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 15th March, 1941, at NOON for the following purposes, namely, to consider the annual statement of accounts and the balance sheet and the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon; to elect directors and auditors in the place of those retiring; to declare a dividend; to appropriate the balance of Profit and Loss Account as recommended by the Directors; and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE is also given that the Share Transfer Registers will be closed from 1st March, 1941, to 15th March, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

R. A. WICKERSON,  
Secretary & Manager.  
Hong Kong, 14th Feb., 1941.

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Hong Kong, 15th February, 1941.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

### ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1941

Postponed to:—

FIRST DAY—  
Monday, 17th February.

SECOND DAY—  
Tuesday, 18th February.

THIRD DAY—  
Wednesday, 19th February.

FOURTH DAY—  
Saturday, 22nd February.

FIFTH DAY—  
Saturday, 1st March.

The programme fixed for 15th February will be run off on MONDAY, 17th February, and the subsequent days' programmes in consecutive order.

On Monday, 17th, Tuesday, 18th, Wednesday, 19th, and Saturday, 22nd February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 1st March, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The fifth interval will be after the fifth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

### MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear the r badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 9.45 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 11.45 a.m. ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiflins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy. (Tel. 21920).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiflins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

### SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building. Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 9th February, 1941.

## THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

### Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, the 28th February, 1941, at 1.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 19th February 1941, to Friday, the 28th February, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,

Secretary & Manager.  
Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1941.

## BRIDGE NOTES

### BRIDGE SWINDLES — NO. 26

#### By The Four Aces

The Bridge Swindle executed by West in to-day's hand is not certain to succeed, but is often effective:

North, Dealer

Neither side vulnerable

♠ 8 5 2  
♥ A Q 10 9  
♦ A 10 9 7  
♣ Q J

♠ 9 7 3  
♥ K 8 5 2  
♦ 4 3  
♣ 10 6 5 2

♠ 4  
♥ J 7 4  
♦ J 8 6 2  
♣ 9 8 7 4 3

♠ A K Q J 10 8  
♥ 6 3  
♦ K Q 5  
♣ A K

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♦	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	7♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

West decided to force the issue at once by leading the eight of hearts. The eight was chosen since that card would seem to be a "top-of-nothing" lead, indicating that West held no high cards in the suit. West hoped that South would be reluctant to risk the Grand Slam with a finesse on the very first trick, so would look for some other way to make his contract.

And West had his wish, for his lead induced South to put up the heart Ace. Declarer next led out all of his trumps, discarding hearts from the dummy, and then cashed the two top clubs. Finally South went after his main hope — the diamonds. He could obtain the vital discard if the Jack dropped early, if the suit split 3-3, or if East showed out in time for a finesse through West. But, as it happened, East had the long diamonds, and had carefully saved them all, so South could get no discard and failed to make the Grand Slam.

Note that South would have made his contract if West had led anything but a heart. With any other lead, South would have drawn trumps and postponed the heart play until he had found out about the diamond situation. When he had discovered that the diamonds would not furnish a discard, he would be obliged to take the heart finesse — and would therefore make his contract.

Saturday you were Howard Santanen's partner, and with neither side vulnerable, you held:



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## SOAP NEEDED FOR SHELTERS

Supplies of soap and water and provision of artificial sunlight are considered by some doctors to be the most urgent requirements of shelters.

"Gargles and sprays, masks and medicines, all have their advocates but we have yet to meet with any mention of the two most powerful remedies," says a "Medical World" writer.

"The first is soap and water, liberally applied to shelters, and, if possible, to the shelterers."

"We have observed no washing facilities in any shelter, and hope that their absence may soon be remedied. Neither have we seen any trace of even the cheapest soap."

"The second remedy is sunlight which, must in the circumstances be artificial. We believe that we are quite correct in saying that a few sunlight lamps would be far more efficacious than all the mists of Westminster."

♠ K Q J 10 6  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ Q J 7  
♣ 4

The bidding:

You	Jacoby	Santanen	Maler
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
(3)			

ANSWER: Bid one spade. The bid may be a misfit, and you have no reason to get enthusiastic unless a good fit can be found. Score 100% for one spade; 60% for two spades.

### Question No. 641

To-day you are Merwin Maler's partner and you hold the above hand, but the bidding goes:

You	only	Maler	Santanen
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass
(?)			

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## Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN Ills Caused By Insufficient Exercise

WINTER is a good time to warn women that many minor illnesses are caused through insufficient exercise. During cooler months women are likely to neglect this phase of intelligent body care—getting down on the mat or out of doors to exercise becomes a major effort!

There is a marvellous physician (who's name I am not permitted to divulge because of medical ethics) who treats ailing women with the most sensible psychology.

After his female patients pour out their woes and describe their ailments he examines them carefully in a routine manner and prescribes two weeks of corrective diet, more sunshine than what they have been taking, and exercise every blessed day.

He may give a patient a prescription of something quite harmless if he thinks that will make her feel she has had her fee's worth, but on the whole he sends them out to take care of themselves for four or five days and his last words of advice are quite likely to be, "The exercise is very important. Force yourself to take it even if you have little desire for it. Two weeks of exercise will greatly aid me in putting my finger on your trouble."

### The Way Of Woman

If the woman is truly worried about her condition she returns



Exercises can be performed during the day while doing household chores. This one, for instance, is done while sweeping. Every once in a while step over the broom as high as you can. This simple exercise stretches leg muscles, relieves strain and reduces hips and stomach.

### AID FOR THE AGEING.

To the no-longer-young life at times is liable to present a dark outlook. Yet so long as you have a plentiful supply of pure red blood coursing through your veins there is no need for despondency, and such blood is easily obtainable by means of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, the blood and nerve tonic which you remember as far back as your youthful days, and which is even more famous to-day.

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If you are feeling your age, are rundown, listless, "nervy", depressed, lack appetite and vitality, have rheumatic pains, or are conscious of any infirmity due to impoverished blood or weak nerves, why not try them yourself? You can do so with the fullest confidence that they will do you good. Any chemist can supply

**Dr. Williams' Pink Pills**

for her second visit. He examines her again, inquires about what exercise she embraced and how frequently. The chances are nine to ten that she was pretty lazy about the exercise. He then prescribes another week or two week programme and cautions her again that she must exercise if she wants an accurate diagnosis.

Some women never come back after the first visit. They embrace exercise and the corrective diet and feel so well that they figure it foolish to go and pay another doctor's fee.

"I lose patients that way," this doctor told me with a grand twinkle in his eyes, "but I start them on the road of a couple of more years of good health."

The repeater patients may or may not have something organically or mentally wrong with them, but this physician figures a lot of guess work can be eliminated when the patient has shaken herself out of a lethargy and lived sensibly for several weeks. Very stout ladies loose weight

during the first weeks and too thin ladies put on a little weight. They like coming to the doctor who seems to be "sensible," and who shows a most amazing interest in their conditions.

In discussing this technique with me this physician stated candidly that some of these patients do need medical treatment but many of them do not. All of them are benefited by the health routine and in some cases rather serious illnesses and operations are averted. Emergency cases, naturally, are quickly diagnosed and cared for. But will you believe it, he estimated that more than sixty-five per cent of these women have no ailment other than physical laziness.

"This is too easy for them and they have not the common-sense to exercise their bodies to keep them fit," the doctor said. "Naturally aches and pains and other imaginary ills send them to me—and some are terribly disappointed when I tell them nothing is wrong with them and they do not need an operation!"

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#### TUESDAY

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Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 12th February.

#### THURSDAY

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#### FRIDAY

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Sandakan

FOR DATE & TIME.

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Reg. .... 11.00 a.m.  
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#### TUESDAY

Canton

#### WEDNESDAY

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Ord. .... (18) 5.30 a.m.

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## RADIO

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.  
12.30 p.m.—Bruch—Concerto No. 1 in G Minor, Op. 26.  
12.51 p.m.—Two Songs by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).  
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.  
1.03 p.m.—Some Welsh Songs.  
1.15 p.m.—Band of His Majesty's Coldstream Guards.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—Variety.  
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.  
5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.  
6.32 p.m.—Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Ruddigore."  
7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.  
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Questions of the Hour.  
7.30 p.m.—Studio—Talk on Ballet illustrated by gramophone records.  
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 p.m.—This week's programmes.  
8.07 p.m.—Negro Spirituals.  
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—'Hi, Gang!'  
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.  
9.30 p.m.—Moussorgsky—'Pictures at an Exhibition' Suite.  
10.00 p.m.—Songs by Theodore Chailapine (Bass).  
10.10 p.m.—Eileen Joyce at the Piano.  
10.25 p.m.—A Programme of English Music.  
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.



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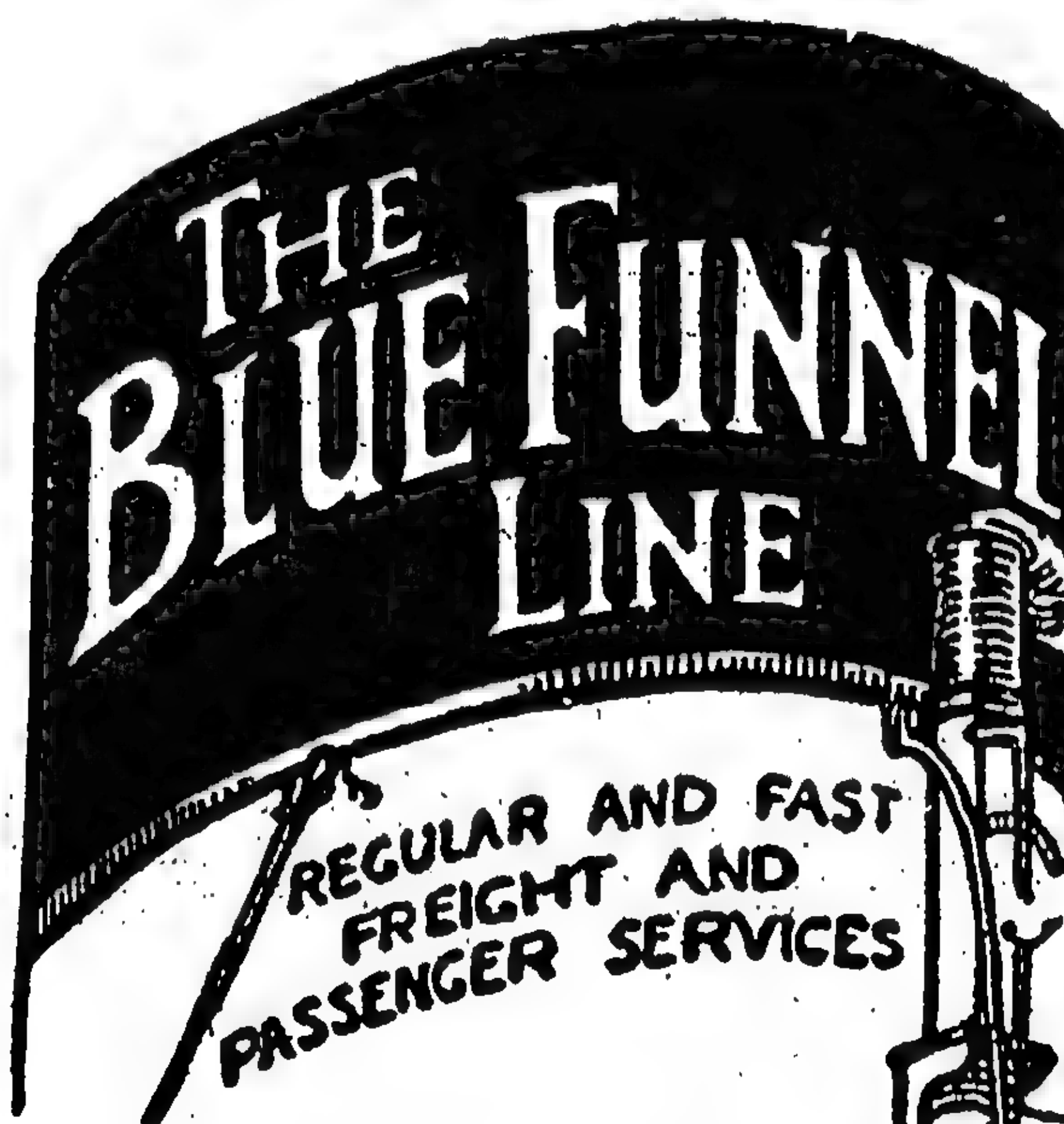
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# POOR SHOOTING BY ARMY FORWARDS IN LAI WAH TIE

## Howlett And Ferrier Do Well In Civilian Attack

### THE BIG SWEEP

At 9.30 this morning, the sale of tickets in the Hong Kong Jockey Club sweep on the Rooter-Hill Derby had reached the colossal figure of 914,110.

### RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

- Race No. 1  
CONFUSION BAY  
BURFORD  
NAVYLIGHT  
Outsider:—O. Lan.
- Race No. 2  
UNITED EXPRESS  
SYDNEY DIAMOND  
ROYAL SOVEREIGN  
Outsider:—Newborn Star.
- Race No. 3  
A HAPPY TIME  
COLOOMA  
RATIO DECIDENDI  
Outsider:—First Love.
- Race No. 4  
A SURPRISING TIME  
BLACK SEAL  
SANTA ANITA  
Outsider:—Castle Hill.
- Race No. 5  
LOVELYLIGHT  
IRON BEAUTY  
GLOSSYLIGHT  
Outsider:—Eve of Grandeur.
- Race No. 6  
DISTANT VIEW  
KING'S WELCOME  
CANBERRA  
Outsider:—Gloaming.
- Race No. 7  
SAPPER  
FAR VIEW  
BAFFIN BAY  
Outsider:—Viceroy.
- Race No. 8  
MARSH WARBLER  
NOMINE POENAE  
PRAIRIE VIEW  
Outsider:—Fleetwing.
- Race No. 9  
VITAMIN M.  
TINKLING STAR  
BENDEMEER  
Outsider:—Newmarket Day.
- Race No. 10  
OOLONG  
CHARLESBER  
VELVETLIGHT  
Outsider:—World Fair View.
- Race No. 11  
ROWAN  
CRIFFEL  
SPRINGHURST  
Outsider:—Fair Chance.
- Race No. 12  
ENDEAVOUR  
MANHATTAN  
KING'S FLIGHT  
Outsider:—Strathalbyn.
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## Gough, Pope And Lapsley Brilliant

By "Sportshawk"

ARMY, WHO DESERVEDLY DEFEATED THE HOLDERS, CHINA, IN THE SEMI-FINAL ROUND BY 4 GOALS TO 1, WENT DOWN BADLY TO CIVILIANS IN THE FINAL OF THE LAI WAH CUP COMPETITION ON THE CLUB GROUND YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, BY 5 GOALS TO 2, AFTER CIVILIANS HAD LED AT THE INTERVAL BY THE ODD GOAL IN THREE.

Although heavily beaten, the soldiers had a fair share of the exchanges for the greater part of the game.

Had Fox, the Army leader, not missed several scoring opportunities, the soldiers might very well have forced a draw or done even better.

Howlett played a big part in the Civilians' victory, while Ferrier was the schemer of the attack.

The Civilians' intermediate-line was best served by Gough, who played a hard game throughout and combined well with Pope on his right.

These two players kept their forwards supplied with numerous well-placed through passes in addition to defending well.

Lapsley played a brilliant game between the sticks for the Civilians, while Blackburn was the mainstay of the full-back division.

### Poor Marksmen

Army played very well as a team and attacked for two-thirds of the game, but their forwards were miserable in front of goal and this factor was the main cause of their downfall.

Bankier, the custodian, and the backs, Naysmith and Fraser, played well in defence for the soldiers and they could not altogether be blamed for letting their opponents through on five occasions: the two backs relieved many an awkward situation.

Bright, the pivot, though not brilliant, did some good work when Army were defending.

Hossack and Fox combined well in attack and also did well individually but they both failed with their finishing.

### Wingers Not Used

Another reason for Army's defeat was their failure to use their wingers.

Howlett drew first blood for the Civilians about 16 minutes after the whistle by heading in a pass from Rietsen, and the same player placed his side in the lead soon after as the result of a pass from Pope.

Fox, however, went straight through the Civilians' defence and beat Lapsley with a grounder just before the interval to reduce the lead.

### Army Press

On the resumption, Army again applied pressure but were unable to score.

After a good movement Fowler added a further goal for the Civilians, while Wier reduced the arrears from a scrimmage for the Army.

Not long towards the end, Fowler placed the issue beyond doubt with a good shot.

After the contest, His Excellency, Major-General A. E. Grasett, presented the Cup to Howlett, the Civilians' captain.

CIVILIANS:—Lapsley (Kowloon); Blackburn (Police) and Ulrich (Kowloon); Pope (Police), Gough (Police), and Maxwell (Kowloon); Fowler (Club); B. Gosano (Kowloon); Howlett (Police) (capt); Ferrier (Police) and Rietsen (Club).

ARMY:—Bankier (R. Scots), Naysmith (R. Scots), Fraser (R. Scots), Birrell (Engineers), Bright (Middle), Freshwater (Middle), Owens (R.A.), Hossack (R. Scots), Fox (Engineers), Wier (R.A.S.C.) and Duffield (R.A.O.C.) (capt).

### Useful Change

Neither side made any change, except that Civilians shifted Howlett into the centre-forward position in place of Gosano, who took over Howlett's berth at right-half.

This move made a noticeable difference as Ferrier better understood his leader's play and, these two, with Rietsen, formed a very strong attacking unit on the left flank.

## EASTERN WIN 10-2

At Boundary Street yesterday, Eastern trounced Kwong Wah by 10 goals to 2 in their First Division League football encounter, after leading by 5 goals to 1 at the end of the first half.

Eastern scored their goals through Hyui Man-fat (3), Hau Ching-to (2) Kui Wing-fook (3), C. T. Tsao and Cheung Kam-hoi, while Kwong Wah's goals were registered by Cheuk Shek-kam and Chin Chi-lui.

## STANLEY SCORES THREE GOALS

On Thursday, in the Army Hockey League, R.A.S.C. beat R.A.M.C. by four clear goals, scored by L/Cpl. Stanley (3) and Kirby.

For the winners, Gibb, at right-half, played a hard game and spoiled and distributed very well, while Ashman, the pivot, was instrumental in breaking up many dangerous Medical movements. Allen revealed a good turn of speed on the right-wing and sent over many well-timed centres.

## W.C. HUNG'S COMEBACK

W. C. Hung, former Chinese Recreation Club cricket captain and when at his best one of the finest all-rounders in the Colony, will make his first appearance on the cricket field since K.C.C. last won the Junior Cricket League, on Tuesday for K.C.C. against the Volunteers.

Hung has been down to the net fairly frequently recently and is said to be showing some of his old form with the ball.

He has expressed a desire to play regularly and, if not required for the first team, he should be a big help to the Junior attack now that Rupert Baldwin has gone on leave.

### MAN FOR SCOTLAND

Scotland need look no further than Royal Engineers for a half-back who is easily up to Inter-Port standard. Cpl. Birrell, Sappers' right half-back, a native of Dundee, has played quite a lot of football in his home town, and "Jock" is also a useful three-quarter in the Sappers' Rugby side.

## FOOTBALL —PROBLEMS—

By "THE JUDGE"

Here are to-day's problems:  
Q. 1. A local correspondent last week published the following:—

"A local correspondent has seen fit to draw attention to a technical omission in a paragraph of mine last week which referred to the charging of a goalkeeper. I said, 'If the goalkeeper has the ball in his possession he can be fairly charged, but without the ball he cannot'. In case any of my readers are under the same delusion as the aforementioned correspondent, I should explain that this refers to the goalkeeper when he is within the goal area.

Being "in possession" referred to carrying the ball and as everyone knows that the custodian may not carry the ball outside the goal area I did not deem it necessary to mention 'within the goal area'." (The italics are mine).

Is this correspondent correct?

Q. 2. On examining the ground before the start of a game the referee notices that it is marked out incorrectly.

What should he do?

Q. 3. A free-kick from within the goal area is awarded to the defending side. An attacker stands exactly 10 yards away and is able to stop the ball when kicked, and place it in the net.

Is this a goal?

Q. 4. A defender persistently uses what is known as the "Sliding Tackle" i.e., sliding with both feet outstretched in an endeavour to get the ball.

Is this permitted by the Laws of Game?

Q. 5. The attacking inside-right about one yard off the goal-line screws the ball into the goal-mouth and runs in following up. The ball hits the cross bar and rebounds to the defending back, who is on the penalty spot facing his own goal. In attempting to clear he accidentally kicks the ball to the attacking inside-right. By this time the goalkeeper is the only opponent between the inside-right and the goal.

Is he offside?

(Answers on Page 15)



## TO-DAY'S RUGBY SEVENS AT VALLEY

To-day's games in the Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament on the Club ground, Happy Valley, are as follows:

3.30 p.m.—12th Heavy "B" v Civil Service. Referee—J. S. Riddell.

3.50 p.m.—Royal Engineers v 5th A.A. "A". Referee—Lt. Pirle.

4.10 p.m.—5th A.A. "B" v Combined Small Units "A". Referee—Major Curran.

4.30 p.m.—Police "B" v R. Scots "A". Referee—J. Redman.

4.50 p.m.—Middlesex "A" v Tamar & Small Ships "B". Referee—E. Mathews.

5.10 p.m.—8th Heavy "A" v Jardine's. Referee—Lt. Pirle.

5.30 p.m.—Club "A" v R. Scots "B". Referee—Lt. Comdr. Harrison.

### ANNUAL GAME

Major R. D. Walker, officer-commanding Field Engineers Company of Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, will play his annual game of cricket on Wednesday, when he turns out for the Officers and Sergeants of the Corps against the Other Ranks. It is understood that he will keep wicket.

## MACAO BEAT C.B.A.

The Central British School hockey team, which visited Macao over the week-end, lost both matches against Macao Hockey Club.

In the first game, C.B.A., who fielded several reserves, were outclassed, the home team being better in all departments. The Hong Kong side, however, were handicapped by the conditions. The ground was bumpy and uneven and the heavy rain had made conditions underfoot very difficult.

Macao led at the interval by the odd goal in three, and increased this lead to 3-1 by full-time. E. Fowler scored C.B.A.'s only goal.

### Another Macao Win

Following this match Macao second eleven played the C.B.A. second eleven and won 5-2 after leading at the interval by 3-1.

The Macao senior team is the probable side that will do service against Hong Kong in the forthcoming Interport.

## FURTHER Q.T. FIXTURES

The following further Quadrangular Hockey Tournament fixtures have been provisionally arranged:

### BRITISH ARMY

Tuesday, February 25 v Club at Club ground King's Park at 4.45 p.m.

Friday, February 28 v Navy at Sookunpoo at 4.30 p.m.

Friday, March 14 v Indian Army on the Marina at 4.30 p.m.

Friday, March 21 v Navy at Navy ground King's Park at 4.30 p.m.

Monday, March 31 v Indian Army at Sookunpoo at 4.30 p.m.

### INDIAN ARMY

Friday, February 21 v Navy at Navy ground King's Park at 4.30 p.m.

Friday, March 7 v Navy on the Marina at 4.30 p.m.

Friday, March 14 v British Army on the Marina at 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 18 v Club on the Marina at 4.45 p.m.

Monday, March 31 v British Army at Sookunpoo at 4.30 p.m.

### Engineer's Big Win

Only one match was played in the Hockey Association Tournament yesterday, Royal Engineers beating 2/M.T.B.s, at King's Park, by 14 goals to nil. Engineers led 6-0 at the interval. The only other scheduled match, Police "B" against the University, was postponed.

### C.S.C.C. TENNIS

Following are the latest results in the Civil Service Cricket Club Tennis Tournament:—

#### Singles

Semi-Final:—L. Agafuroff beat W. J. Skinner, 7-5, 6-2.

Agafuroff beat J. A. Bendall, 6-4, 6-4.

Final:—L. Agafuroff beat B. Agafuroff, 2-6, 6-4, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3.

#### Handicap Singles

Semi-Final:—L. D. Skinner (plus 4/6) received a walkover from J. A. Bendall (-30.4).

### AID TO I.R.C. JUNIORS

Indian Recreation Club 2nd XI should be considerably strengthened by the inclusion of Yaya Barma in their team. Barma, who spent some months in Shanghai, has had a very successful season in the Northern port, where he played for Shanghai Recreation Club juniors.



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# London Counties Start Preparing For Cricket

## Fixtures To Be Arranged Soon

LONDON COUNTIES CRICKET ELEVEN WHO, TOGETHER WITH THE BRITISH EMPIRE TEAM, SAVED CRICKET FROM EXTINCTION LAST SEASON, ARE ALREADY LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SEASON.

The Committee, on which Andy Sandham and Jack Durston are serving, are satisfied with the achievements of last season both on and off the field.

Fixtures will be arranged shortly and the team will continue to operate in the London area, though they may seek more matches in the "safe" areas. It is expected that the players who appeared last summer and are engaged on war work will again be available.

that the peace time membership is a bit over 3,000."

Essex cricket enthusiasts will be agreeably surprised to hear that the club made about £160 on last summer's working.—Reuter.

## POLICE LOSE BOWLERS

Police Recreation Club will be without the services of two members of their lawn bowls League team for the early part of next season.

In the course of the week J. Orem and J. C. S. Fender will be leaving for Australia on long leave.

On the same boat will be R. H. E. Marks, who is leaving on retirement. Marks' bowling activities in recent years have been confined to junior games for Kowloon Cricket Club.

## HAYWARD'S DAYS WITH ARTILLERY

Jack "Coxwain" Hayward, Police cricketer, hockey and lawn bowls player, was an all-round athlete in Royal Artillery before he joined the Force.

He won the Army Area High Jump and Throwing the Discus title. He also has a fine collection of prizes for swimming, one cup in his possession being donated by Donald Burlingham, retired Supt. of Police and now a Director of Norwich City Football Club, for the 50 Yards Hurdles Race at the V.R.C. in 1933.

## CATCHER HURT

Jackie Anderson, Wahooks' crack softball catcher, sustained a sprain to her arm in a game against the Canadian Chinese Girls last Sunday and will probably be out of the game for a couple of weeks.

## MEDICALS LEAD AT SNOOKER

Royal Army Medical Corps have already established a winning lead in the Garrison Snooker League for the Windsor Shield.

On Thursday Medical Corps shared six frames with Pay Corps, but they are still four points ahead of their nearest rivals, Royal Engineers 'A'.

Other games played on Thursday were as follows:—

Signals shared six frames with R.A. Stanley.

Royal Engineers 'A' beat Royal Signals 'A' 5 to 1.

Corps Military Police beat Royal Engineers' Sergeants 4 to 2.

Following is the League table to date:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
R.A.M.C.	4	2	0	2	18
R.E. 'A'	4	1	0	3	14
R.A. Stanley	4	1	0	3	13
R.E. Sergeants	4	1	1	2	13
C.M. Police	4	1	0	3	13
Signals, Opns.	4	1	1	2	11
R.A.P.C.	4	1	2	1	9
Royal Signals 'A'	4	0	4	0	5

## Sacrifice Necessary

Several county clubs have emphasised the importance of members making a sacrifice by keeping up their subscriptions. Many of the appeals have met with fine response, but Leicestershire were a little disappointed. By rigid economy, however, the balance in hand of the Club is approximately the same as in February last year. The financial statement shows this balance to be £792.

Although no country cricket was played last season, members of Yorkshire County Cricket Club paid £2,640 in subscriptions. The deficit on the year so far amounts to £250. The Committee made grants to grounds where County matches are normally played: £300 each to Sheffield, Leeds and Bradford, £100 to Hull and £50 each to Harrogate, Huddersfield and Scarborough.

## Noble Members

Followers of Kent cricket will be interested to learn that 1,200 members have continued all or part of their subscriptions. "Very noble of them" is the comment of the county secretary "considering

## FOOTBALL ANSWERS

(Questions on Page 14)

A. 1. He is incorrect. The goalkeeper may carry the ball outside the goal area but not outside the penalty area. The correspondent in question may be confusing both areas, in any case, he owes another apology to his readers.

A. 2. He should draw the attention of the home team and endeavour to get the ground marked correctly. If he is unable to do this and both teams agree he should carry on the game and report the matter to the association concerned.

A. 3. No. All free kicks in the penalty area, taken by the defending side, must pass out of the penalty area before the ball comes into play, i.e., before anyone can legitimately play the ball. In this case the free kick should be re-taken, as the attacker, if he is only 10 (ten) yards away, must be within the penalty area.

A. 4. This is a point where the referee is the sole judge. If he considers it dangerous he penalises accordingly. If the defender plays the ball only and does not interfere with his opponent then the play is legitimate, but if he plays the ball and also brings his opponent down the referee uses his discretion and treats the incident as follows:—A free kick for tripping or dangerous play or alternatively allows the play to go on, having decided that the defender made a legitimate attempt to secure the ball and the attacker was not brought down but fell over him.

A. 5. No. The fact that a defender was the last person to play the ball puts him onside.

## C.S.C.C. PRIZES

Civil Service Cricket Club are holding their annual prize-giving on Saturday, February 22, at 6.30 p.m., when Mrs. Valentine, wife of Dr. D. J. Valentine will distribute the awards. There is a possibility that an informal concert will follow the ceremony, which is timed to start at 6.30 p.m.



# PLAYER'S PLEASE

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## New Campaign Of Aid To Britain In U.S.

### BRITISH EMBASSY ADVICE

The British Embassy in Shanghai issued a notice to-day renewing the advice given last October to Britons to evacuate occupied China.

The following is the text of the press release issued by the Embassy:

"It will be recalled that in October last the British authorities advised equities that any British subjects who had no good reason for remaining should consider the advisability of leaving occupied China. This advice still holds good.

"The decision whether to leave or remain and any consequent arrangements must be made individually according to personal circumstances.

"In coming to a decision, however, it must be realised that it will almost certainly be impossible to provide special facilities for departure at short notice.

"It should also be borne in mind that Far Eastern shipping services are already seriously curtailed and accommodation in ocean-going ships is limited; and booking should be made well in advance of sailing dates."—Reuter.

### Europe's Hope Of Liberation

**A NATIONWIDE APPEAL TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO TAKE STEPS NECESSARY TO ENSURE BRITAIN'S FOOD SUPPLIES IS BEING ORGANISED IN NEW YORK.**

A letter to President Roosevelt, already signed by over 100 prominent Americans, after declaring that the American people overwhelmingly agree with the President's statement that America must become the arsenal of Democracy, proceeds to say:

"The gallant garrisons of Democracy may need more than arms; they may need food.

"Hitler boasts that submarine sinkings to date are only a foretaste of what is to come soon.

"Men, no matter how brave, in order to fight victoriously on land and sea and in the air must know that starvation cannot threaten the homes they are defending.

"It is within our power to see that such a threat does not materialise."

The letter says that the conquered peoples, "whose food is being stolen from them to feed the German armies of occupation," can be helped only by being freed from the yoke of the oppressor, but Americans can see to it that their only hope of liberation is not destroyed as it would be if the British Isles should be reduced through starvation.

The signatories ask the President to "take such steps as may be necessary to make us not only the arsenal but the larder of Democracy."—Reuter.

### Eve of Debate

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

On the eve of the Senate debate on the Lease and Lend Bill the Vice-President, Mr. Henry Wallace, revealed the receipt of a petition signed by 150 leading educators, actors, writers and churchmen appealing to President Roosevelt to make the United States "not only the arsenal but the larder of Democracy" by rushing food to Britain.

Mr. Wallace's publication of the petition indicates Administration sympathy though he made no comments. — International News Service.

### ITALIAN ELEVENTH ARMY SUFFERS ROUT

(Continued from Page 1)

the plans of the Greek High Command and news from the front is good," stated Athens radio last night.

The announcer continued: "Success crowned the offensive action of the Greek army at all points on the front where it was undertaken.

### Spirited Attacks

"More fortified points were captured as the result of spirited attacks by our troops and all objectives were attained.

"One of the fortified positions wrested from the enemy was of such vital importance that the Italian High Command ordered a desperate counter-attack to recapture it.

"A large Italian force was thrown into this action but in vain. The result was a disaster for the Italians, who sustained very heavy losses in killed and wounded, including many officers.

"A further Greek advance was made for a considerable distance into enemy territory.

### Becoming Desperate

"Some of the Italian detachments participating in his counter-attack lost four-fifths of their effectiveness.

"The Italians are becoming desperate under the new Greek offensive and are vainly struggling to stem the rising tide of destruction.

"At one point they tried to break through the Greek lines in darkness but a withering fire from the Greeks forced the Italians to retreat after terrible losses."—Reuter.

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### RACES OPEN TO SMALL CROWD

The dull weather this morning was reflected in the attendance at the opening of the Annual Race Meeting, though expectations of heavy going on the track were not fulfilled.

The crowd present for the first event of the day, the Challenge Cup, was very small indeed, startlingly so for the first day of the big meeting of the year. First prize in the cash sweep was only just over \$1,900, indicating that the pool was carried chiefly by through tickets.

The meeting began with a complete upset, O-Lan winning the Challenge Cup from Eve of Harvest with Burford third, and setting a brilliant new record for the event. Liberty Bay's 1933 time was beaten by more than five seconds!

The attempt of the Cire stable to win the Cup for the third successive year, making it their property, was entrusted to Navylight, but the pony could do no better than place fourth.

### 1—CHALLENGE CUP — 1 1/4 Miles.

T.K.L.'s O-Lan, 149 lb. .... (V. V. Needa) 1  
Eve's Eve of Harvest, 149 lb. .... (W. H. S. Davis) 2  
Quartermaster's Burford, 152 lb. .... (S. W. Tang) 3  
6 Starters. Won by 2 lengths: short head. Times: 28.4; 58; 1.29.2; 2.01; 2.29.2; 2.57.4; 3.26.1. (Record)  
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$31.70; places, 1st \$10.10; 2nd \$20.80; 3rd \$10.20.

### STOP PRESS

2—SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES. —(First Section).—Six Furlongs. Necan's United Express, 152 lb. .... (Ip Kui-ying) 1  
S.K.'s Fresh Air, 140 lb. .... (B. C. Woo) 2  
C.N.K.'s Newborn Star, 152 lb. .... (D. H. S. Craven) 3  
18 Starters. Won by 5 lengths: 1/2 length. Time: 25.1; 51.3; 1.18.4.  
Pari-mutuel, winner \$7.20; Places, 1st \$6.00; 2nd \$9.00; 3rd \$10.20.

Race 2  
No. 1704 \$1661.80  
" 526 474.80  
" 3859 237.40  
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos.: 1721, 3952, 1916; 3015, 1768, 2758, 3023, 2825, 2889, 1595, 2621, 182, 3733, 40, 2746.

### DANUBE FLOOD DISASTER THREATENED

Large masses of ice in the Danube below Budapest have caused an extremely critical situation in certain districts where the water is already level with the top of the protective dykes, says a Budapest despatch.

Hungarian troops, with 10,000 sandbags, are striving to stem the threatened floods and are preparing to blow up the ice with dynamite.—Reuter.

### HAVE YOU WON?

Race 1  
No. 201 \$1932.70  
" 1402 552.20  
" 307 276.10  
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos.: 4082, 2792, 495.

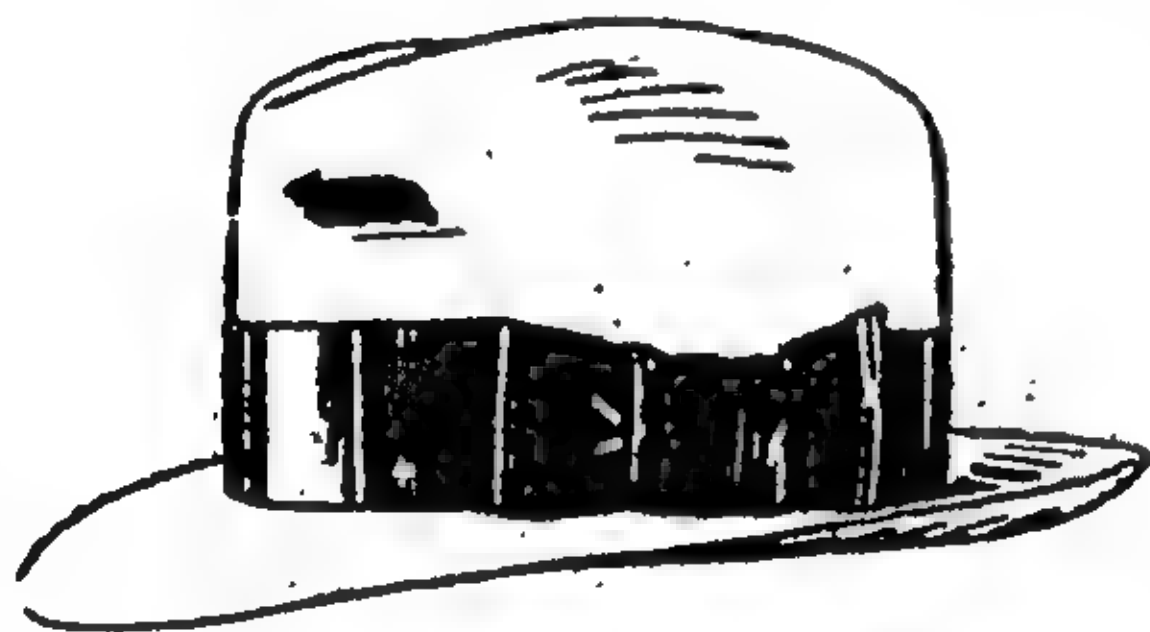
### BETTING FIGURES

	Win	Place
Confusion Bay (Pih, 152)	1110	780
Burford (S. H. Tang, 152)	717	287
O-Lan (Needa, 149)	333	221
Eve of Harvest (Davis, 149)	119	72
Navylight (Noodt, 152)	100	53
Happy Eve (Wood, 149)	14	17

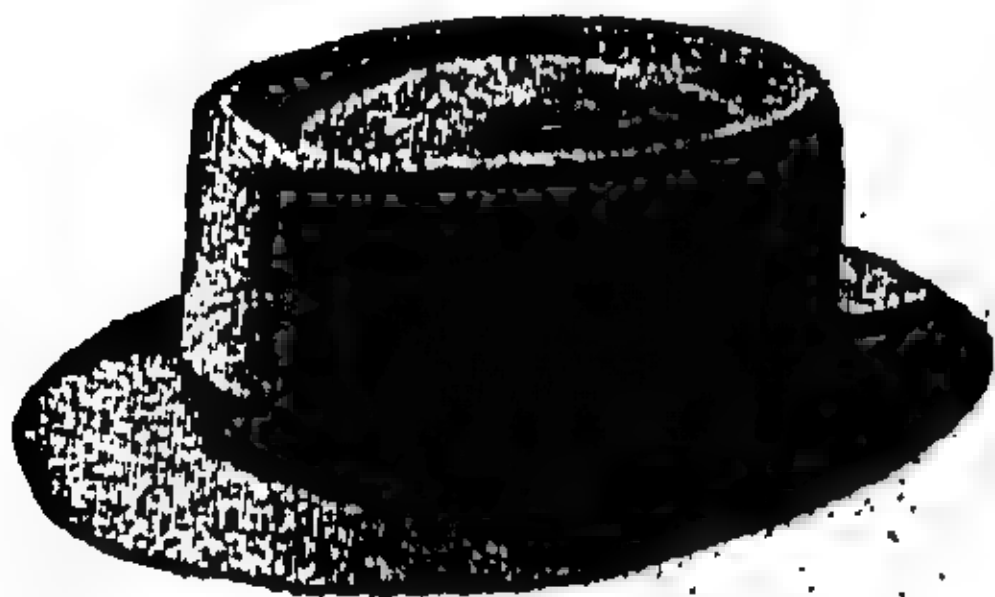


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## WILD RUMOURS IN THAILAND

Hinting At Imminence Of Far Eastern Flare-Up

### Situation Grave, But Not Alarming

"Although the situation is grave I see nothing that need alarm or even seriously disturb a resolute people."

This statement was made in a broadcast by the Australian Attorney-General and Navy Minister, Mr. W. M. Hughes, from Sydney yesterday.

Mr. Hughes said the joint statement by the Acting Prime Minister and the Opposition Leader last week seriously disturbed the Australian people and may even have made them a little nervy.

Mr. Hughes added: "This will pass"—Reuter.

## Bangkok Carries On Undisturbed

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

**ALARMIST AND CONFLICTING REPORTS HAVE BEEN CIRCULATING THROUGHOUT THAILAND DURING THE WEEK-END, ASSIDUOUSLY FED FROM OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY, HINTING AT THE IMMINENCE OF A FAR EASTERN FLARE-UP AND THE POSSIBILITY OF A BRITISH INVASION ACROSS THE MALAYA BORDER, SAYS REUTER'S BANGKOK CORRESPONDENT.**

Despite these sensational rumours, Bangkok spent a very quiet Sunday and the Government has done its best to make it abundantly clear that there is no menace whatever from the British side of Thailand's borders.

No external signs of anything abnormal in the air is visible in Bangkok.

Holiday-makers went to the seaside resorts as usual for the weekend and the public parks yesterday were full of life and laughter with the usual Sunday crowds, men, women and children, taking the evening air.

With a view to clearing any possible misunderstanding, the Government has announced that the Japanese Foreign Minister has informed the Thai Government that the extension of the Indo-China truce ends at 10 a.m. Bangkok time, on February 25.

### British Concentration

International News reports from Shanghai quote Japanese estimates that Britain has 20,000 troops and 150 planes concentrated on the Malaya-Thai border. The Japanese Press alleges that Britain has begun an "economic offensive" against Thailand, by restricting exports to that country.

### Advice To Britons

The official advice to British citizens that they should leave Thailand must be read as a wise precaution, not as proof of imminent danger, declares the London "Daily Telegraph" in an editorial this morning.

The paper adds: "When Hitler boasts of the number of people under the Axis whip we should remember that the delegates from the eastern and southern quarters of the British Empire at the Delhi Conference represented a population of 416,000,000, with a trade of £1,300,000,000 a year.

"Their war strength undeveloped was as formidable as Italy has bitterly complained. Their geographical position enables them (Continued on Page 16)

### CONDITION OF EX-KING ALFONSO

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") The condition of ex-King Alfonso of Spain is again critical as his family, including the estranged Queen Ena, gather at his bedside in Rome. Alfonso was visited yesterday by the Italian Crown Prince Humberto.—International News Service.

### WILLKIE MAY COME TO FAR EAST

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington papers carried big head-lines yesterday in connection with a trip to China which Mr. Wendell Willkie is said to be contemplating, similar to the trip he made to England.

Mr. Willkie has indicated, however, that he has not yet reached a decision regarding the suggestion.—International News Service.

### MUSSOLINI AND FAR EAST

Mussolini and the Japanese Ambassador discussed the Far Eastern situation and measures to effect closer cooperation between Japan, Germany and Italy, says a Rome despatch to the Tokyo "Nichi-Nichi" to-day.—Reuter.

## NAZIS WARN OFF TURKEY

A warning to Turkey that she is "no longer master of the Balkans as she was 30 years ago," has been given in authoritative German circles, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten" yesterday.

The same circles stress that Germany's relations with Greece are still unchanged.

The correspondent adds that the Wilhelmstrasse is still most reserved concerning the present German-Yugoslav conversations but the traditional friendship between the two countries is emphasised.—Reuter.

## IMPORTANT DECISIONS

A MEETING BETWEEN GERMAN AND BULGARIAN LEADERS IS EXPECTED SHORTLY, SAYS THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE SWISS NEWSPAPER "NATIONAL ZEITUNG."

THE CORRESPONDENT ADDS THAT POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES BELIEVE IMPORTANT DECISIONS ARE IMMINENT.—REUTER.

## RAPID ADVANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") DRIVING THE RETREATING ITALIAN TROOPS BEFORE THEM, BRITISH MOTORIZED TROOPS ARE SPEEDILY PUSHING ON TOWARDS MOGADISCIO FROM KISMAYO.—INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

## MILITARY ALLIANCE REPORT

BRITAIN IS NEGOTIATING WITH CHUNGKING FOR A MILITARY ALLIANCE, SAYS THE BANGKOK CORRESPONDENT OF THE TOKYO "YOMIURI SHIMBUN."

The proposed alliance, says the correspondent, is aimed at establishing joint Anglo-Chinese defence in the Far East and would provide the enlistment of Chinese in the South Seas in the British Army.—Reuter.

## NO HURRY TO LEAVE

DESPITE THE EVACUATION ADVICE BRITONS AND AMERICANS IN YOKOHAMA, NUMBERING OVER 1,000, SHOW NO SIGNS OF LEAVING JAPAN, STATES THE "HOCHI SHIMBUN."

It is understood that Britons and Americans who have already returned home since September totalled only 140.

Foreign companies are said to be carrying on as usual.—Reuter.

## JAPANESE CONSCRIPT COOLIES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") THE JAPANESE MILITARY AUTHORITIES IN SHANGHAI ARE CONSCRIPTING COOLIES TO ATTEND TO A LARGE NUMBER OF ARMY HORSES AND PONIES WHICH HAVE BEEN ARRIVING FROM THE INTERIOR.

It was stated yesterday that these animals are destined for Hainan Island and other Japanese occupied areas in South China.

Yesterday two transports left Shanghai taking some of the animals south.—Our Own Correspondent.

## HUNT FOR MAN OF ROYAL SCOTS

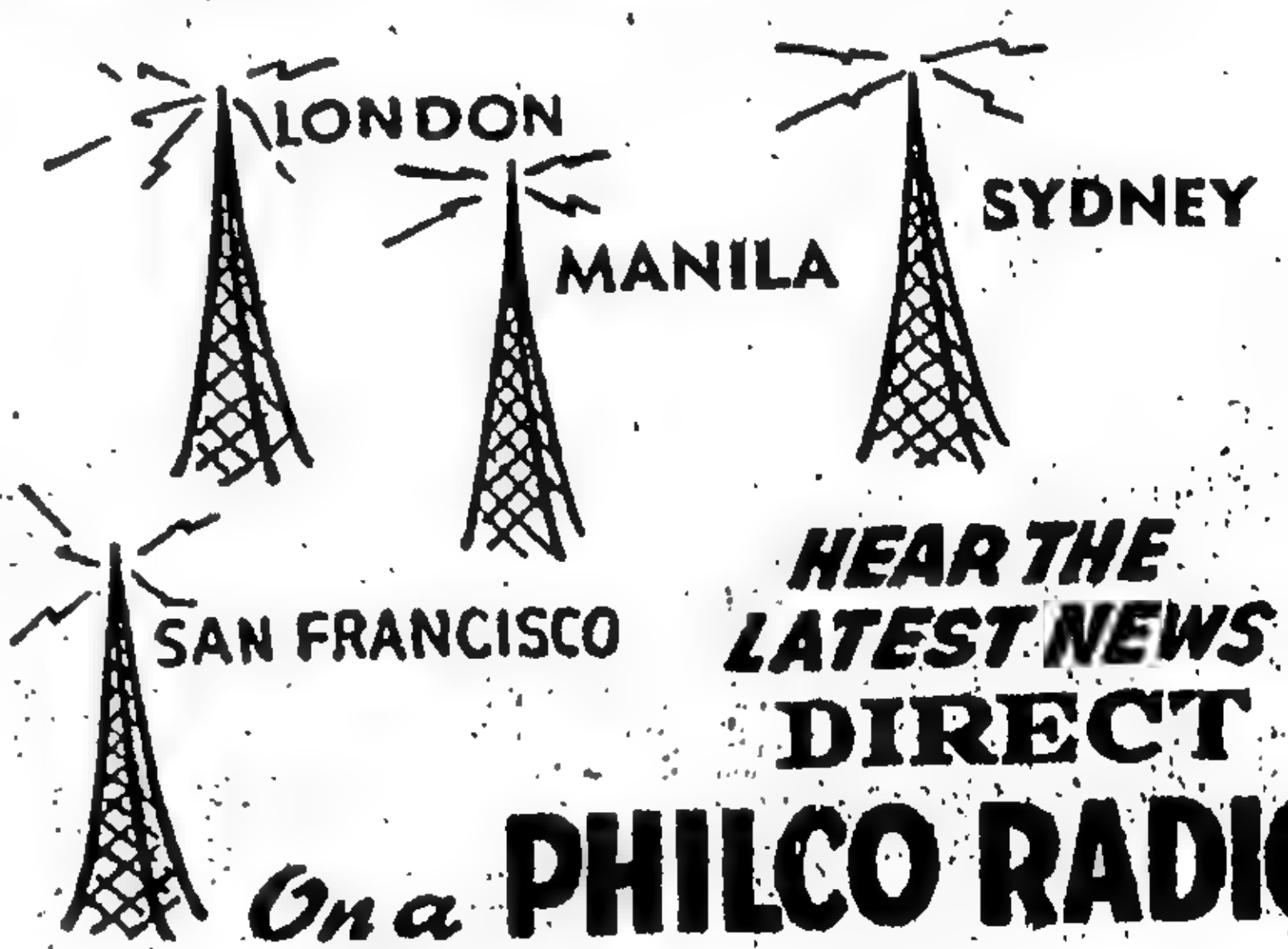
Private Corigan, of the Royal Scots, is reported to have "escaped from military custody" at 8.55 p.m. last Wednesday, according to a report made to the Police. The soldier has not yet been traced.

## PARACHUTE RAID

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Commenting on the Italian radio announcement that certain lines of communication between North and South Italy have been restored, the Rome correspondent of the "N. Y. Times" says that no denial has been issued of reports of the damage done by the British parachute troops in Calabria.—International News Service.

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# MASSIVE R.A.F. RAID ON RUHR

## Large Scale Attack On Oil Installations

### GERMAN VERSION OF WEEK-END WAR IN THE AIR

THE INFLICTING OF severe damage on two merchant ships on Saturday in the Thames Estuary and in the Humber by German reconnaissance planes was mentioned in the German High Command communique yesterday.

It also states that military long-range guns shelled "important military objectives" in south-east England on Friday and Saturday, and German dive-bombers attacked British bases in Cyrenaica with heavy calibre bombs.

Concerning Saturday night's raids on Britain the communique says considerable German bomber formations attacked south-east England, the Midlands and shipping targets.

Several aerodromes are stated to have been set on fire and stationary planes destroyed.

Damage to dock installations on the Thames and in a West Coast harbour is claimed.

Two merchant ships totalling 8,000 tons are stated to have been sunk, another set ablaze and a bomb hit a light cruiser.

The communique continues that attempts by the enemy to fly into occupied territory were repulsed on the coast and two British

fighters and three bombers lost in aerial combat.

#### Thus And Thus

It adds that a small number of high explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped in western Germany on Saturday night by the enemy but no important damage was done.

The communique concludes: "During these flights over German territory and night attempts to raid occupied territory German night fighters shot down four planes. One was brought down by A.A. fire. Thus the total loss to the enemy amounted to 19 planes. One German plane is missing." — Reuter.

### FLYINGBOAT "CLYDE" SUNK IN HURRICANE

The British flying-boat Clyde was sunk in the River Tagus at Lisbon on Saturday during the hurricane which swept the Portuguese capital, it is learned in London.

The Clyde recently was employed in the West African service of British Airways. — Reuter.

## Attention Also Given To Aerodromes

OBJECTIVES IN THE WESTERN RUHR WERE THE MAIN TARGETS OF A CONSIDERABLE ATTACK BY BRITISH BOMBERS ON SATURDAY NIGHT, SAYS AN AIR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE.

Targets included oil installations, an inland port and aerodromes, a large number of high explosive bombs being seen to explode in the target areas, causing many large fires.

## HOW DESERT WAR PROBLEMS WERE OVERCOME

A DESCRIPTION was given in London yesterday of the long study of factors in desert patrolling which led to the outstanding success of British mechanised forces in the Libyan Desert.

During the ten years before the war various types of army vehicles were tested under desert and northern African conditions.

It has been found that big, over-sized low pressure tyres are an absolute necessity in any car for desert use.

In fact what is wanted is a motor car with a powerful, simple engine and very large tyres.

Constant maintenance of tyres at low pressure is important in desert motoring. As one drives across hot and bumpy sands play of the walls of tyres generates great heat and consequently tyre pressures mount.

As the tyre gets harder so does the surface in contact with the ground decrease and the tendency is for the tyre to dig into the sand instead of rolling over it.

#### Cooling System

Water is conspicuous by its absence. A very meagre supply is needed for drinking rather than for cooling motor cars or for washing. Hence cooling-systems for cars had to be designed on a much more generous basis than those required in Europe.

In addition, by fitting a simple condenser, it was possible if a car boiled to save water by allowing the steam to cool off in the wind and condense back as water into the radiator.

It was found also that large air filters were necessary, carburettors being constantly filled up by blowing sand.

These were the main points in the perfect desert car but above all the engine had to be reliable and the whole mechanism as robust and simple as possible. Yet even with such a car it was inevitable that one should occasionally get completely bogged in sand.

#### Out Of Pockets

So every desert car is equipped with a couple of channels either of zinc or hard rubber which can be slipped under the driving wheels so that one can get out of a pocket of soft sand.

Spades for digging out a car and rope ladders for laying a track across particularly soft bits are quite ordinary items of equipment.

As distances to be covered are very great and there are no refuelling points and few water points every inch of space on vehicles must be carefully thought out and utilised to the best advantage. — British Wireless.

## AIR LOSSES OVER BRITAIN

DURING THE WEEK ENDING MIDNIGHT ON SATURDAY TWELVE GERMAN AND THREE BRITISH AIRCRAFT WERE DESTROYED OVER BRITAIN.

The daily figures were:

	German	British
Feb. 9	3	—
Feb. 10	1	—
Feb. 11	—	—
Feb. 12	1	—
Feb. 13	—	—
Feb. 14	1	1
Feb. 15	6	2

The British fighter lost on Feb. 14 was the first destroyed in the fighter patrol area since January 4, that is, in 41 days. — Reuter.

## DE L'ONCLE EMERGES

EUGENE DE L'ONCLE, WHO WAS THE LEADER OF THE NOTORIOUS CAGOUARDS (HOODED MEN) IN 1937, IS NOW HEAD OF THE NEW NAZI-INSPIRED FRENCH PARTY, THE RASSEMBLEMENT NATIONAL POPULAIRE, SAYS A MESSAGE TO THE INDEPENDENT FRENCH NEWS AGENCY IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

De l'Oncle was the first man to be arrested when the Fascist rising by the Cagouards was nipped in the bud just three years ago.

He was charged with storing German and Italian arms in readiness for an attempt at insurrection against the Popular Front Government then in power. — Reuter.

## BRIDGE BOMBED

ACTIVITIES OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE DURING THE WEEK-END INCLUDED THE BOMBING OF A PONTOON BRIDGE BETWEEN GORWEN, IN ITALIAN SOMALILAND, AND JUMBO. Several pontoons were hit and the

The port of Rotterdam was also attacked. Bombs were seen to burst in the dock area.

Other bombers carried out a successful and sustained routine attack on the docks at Boulogne, where many large fires were started.

From all these operations two British aircraft are missing.

Coastal Command aircraft also raided the docks at Calais at night without loss.

From other operations of the Coastal Command on Saturday three British aircraft are missing.

#### Activity Over Britain

There was some activity over Britain yesterday by single enemy aircraft, says an Air Ministry communique.

British fighters shot down an enemy fighter into the sea off the south coast in the morning.

Bombs have been dropped at three points in the London area and in some places in eastern and south-eastern England and the Home Counties. — Reuter.

## BARRISTERS APPOINTED MAGISTRATES

FOLLOWING THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. H. G. SHELDON, K.C., AS FIRST MAGISTRATE OF HONG KONG AT THE BEGINNING OF LAST YEAR, GOVERNMENT HAS SELECTED TWO MORE LOCAL BARRISTERS TO SIT ON THE BENCH OF THE LOWER COURTS OF THE COLONY.

The two well-known barristers to be appointed are Mr. H. C. Macnamara and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson who have been assigned to the Kowloon Magistracy to fill the vacancies created by the transfer of Mr. E. Himsforth and Mr. K. M. A. Barnett to the War Taxation Office.

## FRENCH CABINET MEETING

The French Cabinet met in Vichy yesterday afternoon under Marshal Petain.

It discussed questions concerning the production of raw material and unemployment and family life, it was stated.

M. Peyrouton's resignation as Minister of Interior and his appointment as French Ambassador to the Argentine were officially announced in the afternoon.

His ministerial duties, it was added, have been transferred to Admiral Darlan. — Reuter.

bridge sank. Wire entanglements were also bombed and a blockhouse was destroyed. — Reuter.

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# ITALIAN ELEVENTH ARMY SUFFERS ROUT

## Greeks Capture 2,000 Prisoners And Much Material

GREEK TROOPS COMPLETELY ROUTED THE ITALIAN 11TH ARMY ON THE 30-MILE WIDE MOSHKOPOLIS - TEPELINI SECTOR OF THE ALBANIAN FRONT DURING SATURDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT, ACCORDING TO REPORTS RECEIVED YESTERDAY BY REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT ON THE ALBANIAN FRONTIER.

Two thousand prisoners are reported to have been taken, together with a large quantity of war material, including arms and light artillery.

Reports state that the R.A.F. and the Greek Air Force greatly contributed to the success of the operations.

The daring and skill of the British and Greek airmen created the greatest enthusiasm among the Greek land forces.

The Greeks claim to have made another big drive in the gorges of the Predecinje front, between Klissoura and Tepelini, on the centre of the battle front. The Greek pursuit of the enemy continues.

### Artillery Duel

A duel with occasional artillery fire is reported from the extreme northern sector of the front, where extensive Italian troop movements have been noted, probably in order to relieve these front line detachments with fresh troops in preparation for attempts to stiffen resistance.

"The Greek offensive in Albania is proceeding according to the plans of the Greek High Command and news from the front is good," stated Athens radio last night.

The announcer continued: "Success crowned the offensive action of the Greek army at all points on the front where it was undertaken."

### Spirited Attacks

"More fortified points were captured as the result of spirited attacks by our troops and all objectives were attained."

"One of the fortified positions wrested from the enemy was of such vital importance that the Italian High Command ordered a desperate counter-attack to recapture it."

"A large Italian force was thrown into this action but in vain. The result was a disaster for the Italians, who sustained very heavy losses in killed and wounded, including many officers. A further Greek advance was made for a considerable distance into enemy territory."

### Becoming Desperate

"Some of the Italian detachments participating in his counter-attack lost four-fifths of their effectiveness."

"The Italians are becoming desperate under the new Greek offensive and are vainly struggling to stem the rising tide of destruction."

"At one point they tried to break through the Greek lines in darkness but a withering fire from the Greeks forced the Italians to retreat after terrible losses."—Reuter.

### TWO WEDDINGS ANNOUNCED

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:

Mr. Ng Hong Ming, Revenue Officer, and Miss Lui Kit Tung, of No. 220, Jaffe Road.

Mr. Ng Kam Chuen, Wireless Operator, H.K.N.V.F., and Miss Leung Chak Hing, of No. 25, Yik San Street.

## British Victory Certain

"I don't think Hitler can lick the British," were the first words of Mr. Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's personal envoy, when he arrived in New York yesterday by Clipper on his return from Europe.

Mr. Hopkins added: "The English are as tough a crowd as I think there is. With the help of this country there is no question but that England will win the war and it is not going to be a stalemated war."

He declared the British needed "a lot of help" and said he felt sure they would get it. Mr. Hopkins planned to report to President Roosevelt last night.—Reuter.

## SENATE DEBATE ON WAR AID

ADMINISTRATION LEADERS HINTED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WILL PROBABLY REQUEST \$1,000,000,000 IN APPROPRIATIONS AND CONTRACT AUTHORITY TO BUILD PLANES, SHIPS, TANKS, GUNS AND MUNITIONS IMMEDIATELY THE AID BRITAIN BILL IS APPROVED.

It is predicted that the Senate, which begins to debate the Bill to-day, will approve the measure with some amendments within a fortnight. A comfortable majority of votes in favour is expected.—Reuter.

## DEATH OF MOTHER MARY MOTTA

Mother Mary Motta, of St. Mary's School, died at St. Francis Hospital yesterday after a long illness, at the age of 38.

She was a most beloved member of the Staff of St. Mary's School and had been in the Colony for 10 years.

The funeral took place this morning at 10.30 a.m.

## SPIRIT BEHIND WORKERS OF BRITAIN

BROADCASTING TO Canada yesterday afternoon Mr. Ernest Bevin spoke of the thankfulness felt by every British person for Canada's great contribution in men and materials towards the preservation of the British family of nations.

Of British Industrial organisation the Minister of Labour said: "If I could sum up the spirit of British industry generally I should say they are carrying out what I was privileged to ask them to do when I took office — never allow it to be said that a member of the forces went short of equipment or supplies or that the war was prolonged a minute because of any neglect or act of theirs."

It is in that spirit that British industrial life is being carried on."

The task of defeating Hitler was very great. By forced labour and intimidation of the conquered countries he had brought under his control millions of people, plant and raw materials.

"Now, if we utilise every man and woman in the country on war production, we cannot hope to have the numbers he has but we have something he has not — a united nation."

Millions of people now under his control would throw off the yoke at the first opportunity but we have an army of man and woman power knit together and determined not to waste or lose a moment at production.

In addition, with your help, we can see the balance being made good and more than offset the millions Hitler has been able to exploit.

There are the great Dominions of Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, as well as India and the peoples of the great Colonial Empire, and all these have the same will and grim determination that Hitler shall be defeated."—British Wireless.

## SINGAPORE MINES

The Admiralty in London announced yesterday the laying of mines in the sea covering the eastern entrance to the Straits of Singapore.

Vessels wishing to pass through the area must apply to the British naval authorities for a route.

The area affected is bounded on the north by the parallel 002 degrees 30 minutes east, on the south by the parallel 001 degrees 35 minutes north, and on the west by the coast of Malaya.—Reuter.

## JAPANESE STILL AT TAMSHUI

Contrary to Chinese press reports this morning, Japanese troops in Tamshui have not withdrawn from the town.

Small units manning outposts north of Tamshui have, however, been withdrawn to Tamshui.

## VICHY'S BIG THREE

A message received in New York from Vichy yesterday stated that the new Government reorganisation is reported to be placing virtually all State powers in the hands of a military triumvirate comprising Marshal Petain, Admiral Darlan and General Huntziger.—Reuter.

## FIREWOOD PRICE STILL RISING

A further increase in the price of firewood was recorded this morning when 20 cabbies were quoted for a dollar.

## NO RETURN TO PRE-WAR WORLD

In the course of a speech at Tonypany yesterday Mr. Clement Attlee stressed to his audience that there could be no return to the pre-war world and the new world would have to be planned for.

With all the destruction British economic power remained and must be used on the right lines.

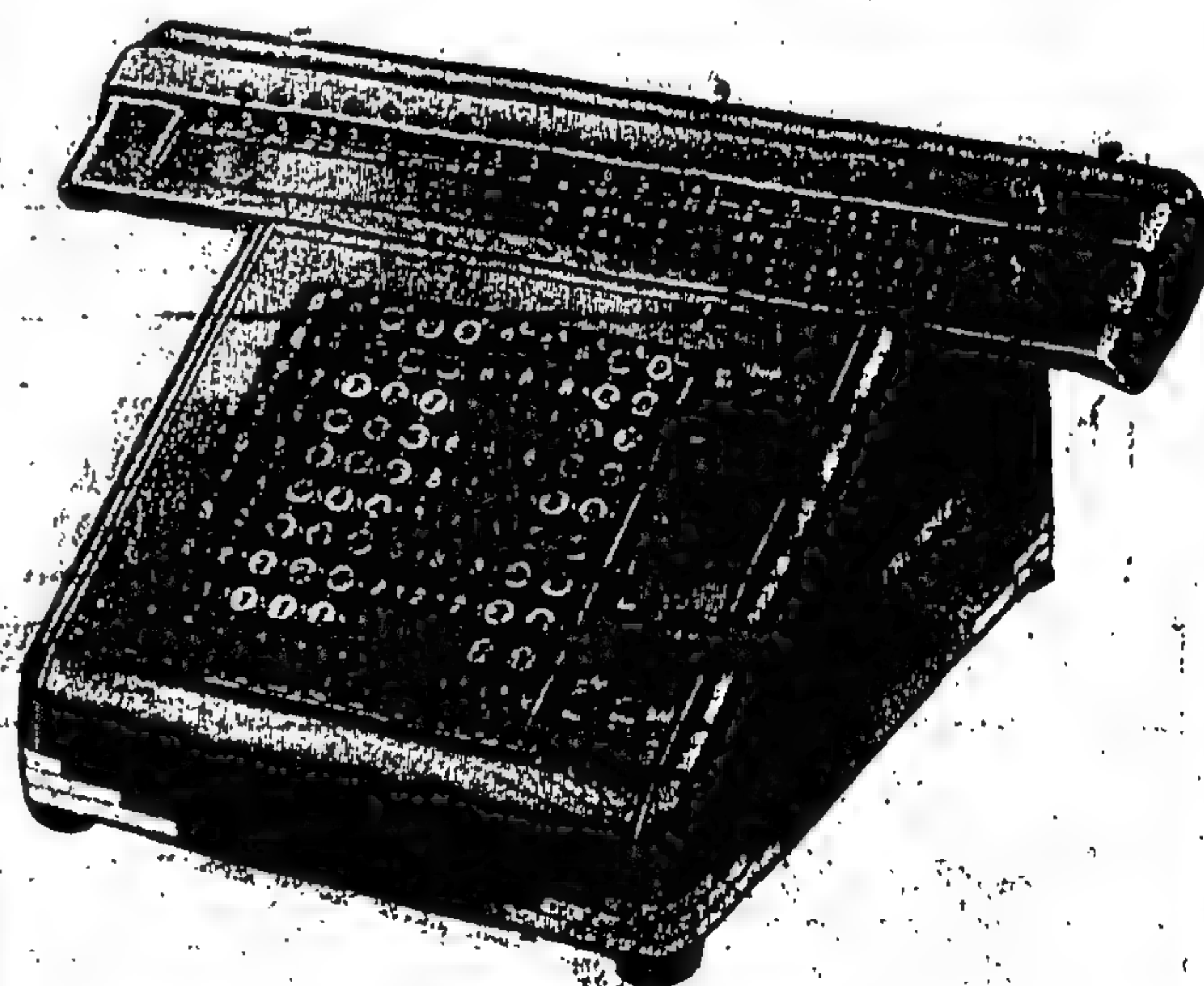
"I would stress the point," he continued, "that after this war has been successfully ended our production power will be greater than ever and it is upon a foundation of properly planned organised people that the future welfare of the world will rest."

Concluding the Lord Privy Seal spoke of the Means Test Bill which, he said, had swept away the old conception that the care of those rendered indigent through circumstances outside their own control was a responsibility on the community.

"We have laid down a line as to what should be considered a reasonable standard of life. This is a great and far-reaching change of social policy."—British Wireless.

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# R.A.F. BLITZ ON THE DODECANESE

THE R.A.F. "BLITZ" on the Dodecanese island of Rhodes continued on Friday night, it was revealed in Cairo yesterday, and switching again from aerodrome targets our heavy bombers carried out a second attack on harbour installations.

Bombs fell among buildings at Lindos harbour and started a number of fires. The "blitz" is now in its second week.

R.A.F. cooperation in the Greek offensive on Saturday also included offensive patrols in the Tepelini area, according to a communique.

The South African Air Force, having gained virtual air supremacy over Italian Somaliland, continues to hammer away at the retreating enemy with remorseless energy.

Aircraft which on Saturday harassed the Italians in the Jelib Omo River area also machine-gunned motor transport vehicles between captured Kismayu and the next big port of Mogadiscio, as well as a number of grounded Italian aircraft.

## Tale Of Punishment

These attacks followed equally successful operations on Friday and continue the tale of punishment preceding the capture of Asmadu and Kismayu, which is made the feature of another special communique issued in Cairo yesterday.

British ground troops facing the enemy at Asmadu, Bardera and near Kismayu were greatly heartened by the fierce aerial onslaught.

The accuracy of the South Africans' bombing and machine-gunning was confirmed by subsequent inspection.

In Abyssinia on Saturday a large motor transport park at Desie was successfully attacked from the air, while in Eritrea the R.A.F. continued to attack enemy troop concentrations, motor transport and other military objectives.

Hangars and workshops at Mai Adaga were bombed and a number of fires and explosions caused.

Two aircraft are missing from Saturday's operations over Rhodes, Albania and Italian East Africa.

## Albania Raids

Further heavy raids on enemy positions in the area to the north of Klissoura, in Albania, were made by R.A.F. bombers on Saturday in spite of unfavourable weather.

Military camps, supply dumps and gun emplacements were effectively bombed.—Reuter.

## SISTERS WED SIX HOURS AFTER 'PHONE CALL

Not until the telephone bell rang at six o'clock in the morning did two sisters know that it was to be their wedding day.

The 'phone message told them that their soldier bridegrooms, having been given last-minute leave, had travelled overnight for the double wedding. This took place six hours later at a Newcastle-on-Tyne parish church.

Twenty-year-old Marie Lillian Jensen, married Lance-Corporal Richard Bailes, of the Border Regiment.

Her twenty-two-year-old sister Ellenor became the bride of Private William Jamieson, of the Royal Corps of Signals.

The girls, whose home is in Heaton Road, Newcastle, were both born in Denmark.

"Before the boys telephoned we did not know whether it was to be a single wedding, a double wedding, or just a party for the guests," their mother told a reporter.

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## GANG LEADER IS GAOLED

Said by the police to be leader of a gang of youths, James Arthur Meek (18), a Shoreditch labourer, was at Old Street, sentenced to six months' hard labour.

He pleaded "Guilty" to stealing a quantity of shirts, neckties, pullovers and other articles of clothing, of the total value of £190.

He lived on his own, his parents having been evacuated.

"He is the leader of a gang of youths who have been using his room as a clearing-house for goods stolen during the blackout," said a police witness.

## DATE FIXED

A case in which Chan Chut-kun, alias Lewis Chan, is charged with receiving a stolen wrist watch, property of Mr. K. M. A. Barnett, was fixed for hearing on February 26 by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon this morning.

Mr. M. A. da Silva will appear for the defence and Det.-Sgt. Johnston for the prosecution. Accused is on \$300 bail.

## HIS LUCKY DAY

"You are lucky, as I am supposed to be lenient to-day, it being my first experience on the Bench," remarked Mr. H. C. Macnamara, newly-appointed Kowloon Magistrate, to a 22-year-old youth, Li Ming, who, charged with avoiding payment of ferry fare yesterday, was fined \$15.

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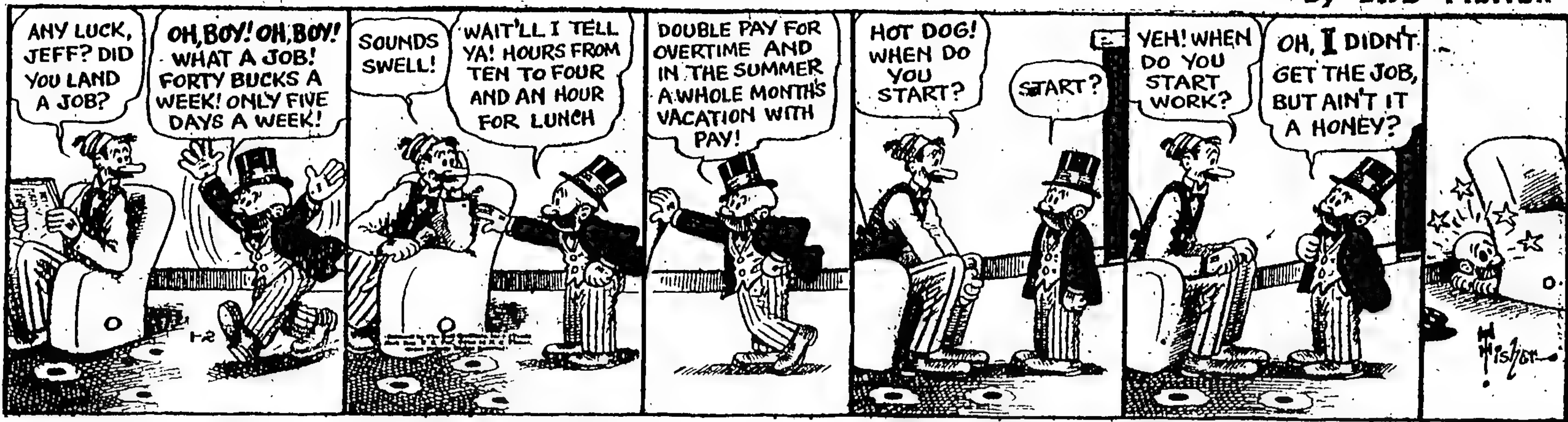
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# NAZI ATTEMPT TO OBLITERATE ALL TRACE OF POLISH LIFE

DESPERATE ATTEMPTS are being made by the Germans to remove all traces of Polish life in the western part of Poland, says a Reuter correspondent.

Even memorials and tomb-stones in cemeteries are being taken away and cemeteries are being ploughed up or turned into public parks.

The statues of many famous Poles are being removed by order of Dr. Franek, Nazi Governor of Poland.

Among them is the statue of Marshal Poniatoewski, one of the most famous of Napoleon's marshals, who committed suicide after the Battle of Leipzig.

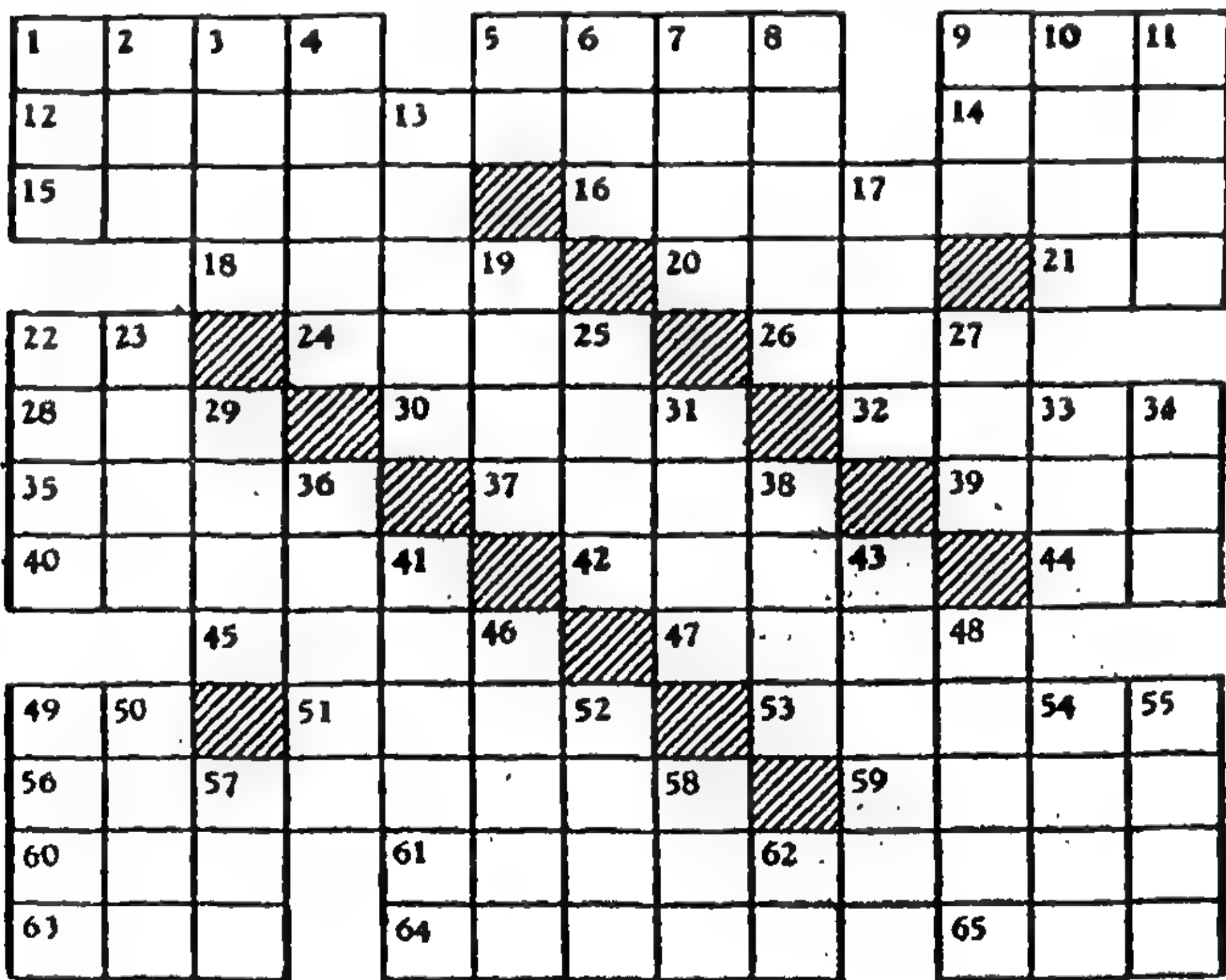
His statue stood in Pilsudski Square, the principal open space in Warsaw, where it was set up

in 1923 after it had been brought back from Russia.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by Marshal Foch, who was then created a Polish Marshal.

The whereabouts of the statue is not now known. The statue of Copernicus, owing to his world renown, has not been destroyed but the Polish inscription has been erased and replaced by a German one. — Reuter.

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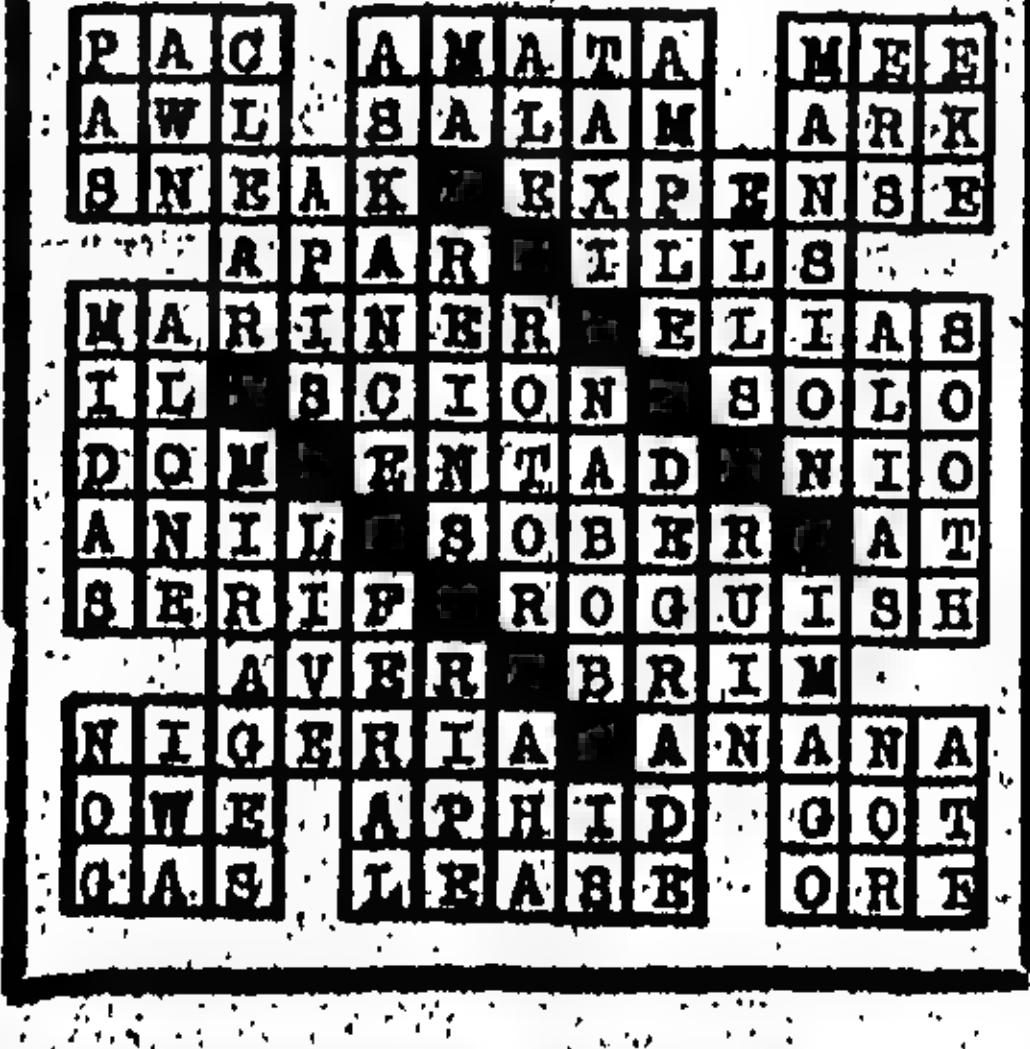
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  - 28 Pig
  - 30 Puddle
  - 32 Japanese aborigine
  - 35 Levantine sailing vessel
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  - 39 By
  - 40 Palm genus
  - 42 Old English court
  - 44 Printer's measure
  - 45 Cuban beverage
  - 47 Woman's name
  - 49 Note of scale

- 51 Flows
- 53 Toil
- 55 Pertaining to trees
- 59 Except
- 60 Island of the Cyclades
- 61 To impart knowledge to
- 63 Slang: joke
- 64 Condition
- 65 Lineman

- VERTICAL**
- 1 Boy
  - 2 High priest
  - 3 Cry of sorrow
  - 4 Conclusion
  - 5 Sun god
  - 6 Pronoun
  - 7 To drink excessively

- 8 Blunder
- 9 Woodland deity
- 10 Seaweed
- 11 Reimburses
- 13 Ancient dance
- 17 Fresh-water porpoise
- 19 Bight
- 22 Bones
- 23 Large snakes
- 25 Implement
- 27 To immerse
- 29 Small bunch
- 31 Dregs
- 33 Born
- 34 Vase
- 36 City in Egypt
- 38 Repeat
- 41 Hardens
- 43 Refuse
- 46 Concerning
- 48 To diminish
- 49 Tooth
- 50 Solo
- 52 Spanish: room
- 54 Kilt
- 55 To tear
- 57 Marsh
- 58 Ignited
- 62 Earth goddess

### SATURDAY'S SOLUTION



## R.A.F. GIVE HUNS TEA—COLD!

A bomber squadron in the north of England has just presented the Germans with cold tea.

The squadron, unable to buy vacuum flasks, had taken hot tea in beer and whisky bottles wrapped in coats and mufflers.

But when the crews reached their objective in Germany the tea was cold. Disappointed, the airmen threw the bottles overboard.

When this story became known in the area where the squadron is stationed, local Rotary Clubs and Round Table organisations set out to find vacuum flasks for the boys.

Using precious petrol coupons, members and their wives combined chemists' and hardware shops for fifty miles around. Vacuum flasks, long and short, thin and fat, began to pour into the bomber station.

"We are grateful," one airman told a reporter. "Only the air crews know how cold long-distance night flights can be in winter."

"We look forward to a hot drink during the flight. None of us take spirits when 'on business.' Tea or coffee is nectar."

"Apart from the difficulty of buying vacuum flasks just now, so many are broken during flights that replacement is a problem."

A Rotarian said: "We had a stroke of luck in our search for flasks. My wife discovered a village chemist with a stock of two dozen. At first he would not sell us the lot. But when he knew they were for the R.A.F. boys he even allowed discount."

## BRITISH MISSION IN VENEZUELA

The British mission which has been visiting Latin-America under the leadership of Lord Willington has concluded a five-day visit to Venezuela, during which its members were guests of the Government and were lavishly entertained by the many friends of Britain's cause.

They had a series of conferences with Government officials and leaders of commerce and economic life.

The mission expressed satisfaction with the results achieved and the universal sympathy it encountered for the cause of the Allies. — Reuter.

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## ARMED YOUTHS DISTRIBUTE SELASSIE PAPER

(By Reuter's Correspondent in Abyssinia)  
**ABYSSINIAN NEWSBOYS** armed with  
spears and rifles are now distributing free the  
first national Ethiopian newspaper printed in  
the country for five years.

The newspaper, entitled *Bandarachen*,  
("our Flag"), is being published in Abys-  
sinia's Fleet Street in the forests of the Gojjam  
Highlands. It is bordered with the Ethiopian  
colours and is headed with an impression of  
the Lion of Judah.

## "SHOW SOVIET WRECKED GERMAN AIRCRAFT"

Mr. John Morgan  
(Soc., Doncaster) is  
to ask the Parliamen-  
tary Secretary to the  
Ministry of Aircraft  
Production:—

"If he will suggest  
to the competent So-  
viet Russian authori-  
ties that it might be  
in their interests to  
accept an offer of a  
conducted tour of the  
various dumps of  
wrecked German air-  
craft scattered  
throughout this coun-  
try with a view to  
such expert note be-  
ing taken of the types  
of machine so dealt  
with and for any  
other reason they  
may consider worth  
while."

## JAPAN'S ADVANCE SOUTH

Japan's advance south-  
ward has been spurred on  
by the British and Ameri-  
can policy of aiding the  
Chungking regime and  
antagonising Japan, de-  
clared the Tokyo *"Nichi-  
Nichi Shimbun"* yester-  
day.

The newspaper continues:  
"Britain and Australia believe  
Japan will begin to move south  
in concert with Germany's  
Spring offensive but Japan's  
move south began when Japan  
announced the necessity for  
constructing an East Asiatic  
sphere."

It declares that rumours that  
conditions in the Far East are  
assuming serious proportions are  
only strategical British propa-  
ganda, and it describes the Uni-  
ted States Government's advice to  
American residents to evacuate the  
Far East as one of the causes of  
"such wild and groundless  
rumours."

THE NEWSPAPER CON-  
CLUDES: "SO LONG AS AMER-  
ICA HINDERS JAPAN'S AD-  
VANCE SOUTHWARD SHE IS  
DESTINED TO ENCOUNTER  
JAPAN'S STOUT OPPOSITION."  
—REUTER.

During a forced trek through  
the bush I caught up with a  
camel convoy commanded by a  
young British officer who was  
formerly an engineer.

He gave me food and shoes  
and told me his unit was an  
Ethiopian propaganda one com-  
posed of strange camel trains  
that cross the Abyssinian low-  
lands to Gojjam.

His 60 camels carried a print-  
ing press, a complete newspaper  
staff, bundles of newsprint, boxes  
of Amharic type, some of which  
had been salvaged after the  
Abyssinian war, the Emperor's  
standard bearing the Royal seal  
and Ethiopian coloured boxes of  
silver dollars.

### Published Weekly

For some time pamphlets like  
these distributed by the R.A.F.  
have been dropped all over  
Abyssinia. Now this travelling  
newspaper has passed within a  
few miles of the enemy position  
to a spot in the forest where it  
is published weekly.

Armed Abyssinian newsboys  
are distributing the newspaper  
among Ethiopian forces and vil-  
lage populations, living even in  
caves and sometimes almost  
within a stone's throw of the  
enemy's camps. — Reuter.

## PRESSURE ON KEREN

THE CONCENTRATION OF  
ADDITIONAL TROOPS AROUND  
KEREN, IN ERITREA, IS PRO-  
CEEDING SATISFACTORILY.  
WHILE THE ADVANCE OF THE  
NORTHERN COLUMN CON-  
TINUES, SAYS A BRITISH  
GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN  
CAIRO YESTERDAY.

The British have reoccupied the  
frontier post of Kurmuk, in Abys-  
sinia, the communique continues,  
and in Italian Somaliland opera-  
tions continue for the development  
of the British success at Kismayu.  
—Reuter.

## BURGLAR CAUGHT RED-HANDED

Two months' hard labour was  
imposed by Mr. D. J. N. Ander-  
son, at Kowloon this morning on  
Chung Wing, 18, for stealing  
three rolls of cloth from a silk  
store at No. 8, Hankow Road.

Inspector Johnson said that at  
2.30 a.m. to-day accused was  
found inside the shop with three  
rolls of cloth, valued at \$137, in  
his possession.

Accused was employed in a  
barber shop which occupied half  
of the store.

## EX-KING ALFONSO HAS QUIET DAY

A bulletin issued in Rome last  
evening stated that the condition  
of ex-King Alfonso of Spain has  
not worsened during the past  
24 hours and he passed a fairly  
quiet day. — Reuter.

## SNATCHER CAUGHT

For snatching a woollen over-  
coat from a girl in Leighton Hill  
Road yesterday, Ho Ping, 30, un-  
employed, was sentenced to three  
months' hard labour by Mr. H. G.  
Sheldon, R.C., at the Central  
Magistracy this morning.

## ITALIAN GENOA CASUALTIES

Italian casualties  
in the British bom-  
bardment of Genoa on  
February 9, according  
to the official Italian  
news agency yester-  
day, totalled 144 kill-  
ed and 272 injured.  
— Reuter.

## BRITISH EMBASSY ADVICE

The British Embassy in  
Shanghai issued a notice  
to-day renewing the ad-  
vice given last October to  
Britons to evacuate occu-  
pied China.

The following is the text of the  
press release issued by the Em-  
bassy:

"It will be recalled that in Oc-  
tober last the British authorities  
advised enquirers that any Bri-  
tish subjects who had no good  
reason for remaining should con-  
sider the advisability of leaving  
occupied China. This advice still  
holds good.

"The decision whether to leave  
or remain and any consequent ar-  
rangements must be made indivi-  
dually according to personal cir-  
cumstances.

"In coming to a decision, how-  
ever, it must be realised that it  
will almost certainly be impos-  
sible to provide special facili-  
ties for departure at short no-  
tice.

"It should also be borne in mind  
that Far Eastern shipping ser-  
vices are already seriously cur-  
tailed and accommodation in  
ocean-going ships is limited, and  
booking should be made well in  
advance of sailing dates." — Reuter.

## ADVANCE IN ITALIAN SOMALILAND

With the occupation of  
Kismayu the whole of  
the south-western portion  
of Italian Somaliland up  
to the line of the Juba  
River is now overrun by  
British troops.

Approximately 10,000 square  
miles of enemy territory, an area  
greater than Wales, have fallen  
into British hands.

Units of the British Navy are  
cooperating by the bombard-  
ment of enemy concentrations  
on the coast.

On the northern sector, South  
African units have made further  
progress and numerous friendly  
natives welcomed the advancing  
troops.

These natives complained of  
bad treatment, such as the force-  
ful removal of their wives,  
children and stock by the Italians.  
— Reuter.

## MANY STOREYED SHELTERS

Suggestions for bomb-proof  
large, multi-storeyed reinforced  
concrete shelters above or below  
ground in densely populated areas  
are made in a letter sent to Mr.  
Morrison, Minister for Home  
Security, by the A.R.R. Co-  
ordinating Committee.



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## THE "NEW (DIS)ORDER"

Denmark and Norway were the first of the nations to be overrun by the Nazi mechanised harbingers of Europe's "new order." Denmark has necessarily accepted what for it is the inevitable. But Norway, with a little more geography on its side, is proving less susceptible to the Nazi threat.

The news now beginning to find its way out of Norway in considerable quantities indicates that unrest has been increasing there for some time. It indicates that similar turmoil characterises the rule of the Nazis over other occupied nations, even though opposition has not yet become so overt or violent as to be observed in neighbouring States with a press still free to report it to the world.

But in Norway, one Nazi writer finds himself reduced to asserting defensively that even Norwegian Nazis "should have a right to exist!" In Western Norway, particularly, a pro-British attitude is marked. And attempts of the Quisling "government" to oust local officials in favour of Nazis appear to be without effect, since the people are reported as ignoring the orders of the central authority.

As long ago as November an acute situation arose between the "government" and the Supreme Court, and in December this culminated in the resignation of the Court. Current reports show the Norwegian Nazis as unable to police the country and say they are compelled to call for German help.

Frequent reports of physical attacks by Norwegians on German police paint a picture that looks like anything but a diagram of order, new or old. The press, no less than many of the people, seems to be maintaining a sullen independence of posed authority; for the Norwegian Nazis complain that they cannot get the proper support from the newspapers. Indeed, reports from Sweden say newspapers have had to be suppressed repeatedly for attacking the Quisling outfit.

The German Nazis in Norway evidently are learning that it takes more than might to establish order, more than ter-

Sir Arnold Wilson was a strange man. Broadly speaking, he knew all and all knew him. Deeply speaking he knew none and none knew him. He was the son of Canon Wilson who left him a keen love of the classics and a conscience that would not leave him alone.

He was also blessed with that amazing attribute, an unfailing memory. It worried and fretted and badgered his mind. He fed it on whole acts of Shakespeare's plays which he would reel out a year after, never mistaking or misplacing a word, fluently, smoothly and monotonously.

He began life as a regular soldier. He was always conscientious, meticulous, prompt to perform his duty. At Sandhurst he won the King's Medal and the Sword of Honour as the best all-rounder among the gentlemen Cadets of his year. From his brother officers he stood out for the many-sidedness of his interests, his seriousness, his capacity for hard work.

In 1903 he went out to serve in India. He passed from the Army to the Political Service. He was stationed in Persia, acted as British Consul in city after city, pitted his wits against the agents of Tsarist Russia.

He was often alone. He read many books and he stored the knowledge in his mind. While his memory was occupied and his conscience was satisfied Arnold Wilson was happy.

War came to Asia from the West. Wilson went out with the Indian Expeditionary Force to Iraq. The campaign left him with many memories; memories of

ferce endurance and bitter suffering, steamers chugging up the Tigris under the burning sun, of flights high over ruined cities. He went to the war a soldier and a Civil Servant. He came out also an airman.

He went back to his own job when the war was over. He rose high in the Service. They made him Civil Commissioner and Political Resident on the Persian Gulf. He was a rigid administrator and a just one. If he showed little pity for the failings of those he governed it was because he had none for his own. His service completed, Arnold Wilson returned to England. He

By  
A. Beverley Baxter

married and had children. He wrote on many subjects and edited a national review. He was knighted and elected to Parliament. But that relentless conscience still would not let him alone. There was, for example, his duty to help hospitals.

But he could not give them money. So he gave them his blood instead for transfusion. His life had been hard and healthy and vigorous. His blood was rich in certain properties that were in constant demand. Many calls came to him. He answered them all.

At the by-election which returned him to Parliament his Labour opponent was badly hurt in an accident and lay weak from loss of blood. Wilson furnished his own blood at once to remedy the loss. There was a good deal

of comment among people to whom cynicism comes easier than sacrifice. They called it self-advertisement and a cheap voice-catching trick. Nobody who knew the man could have talked that way, for very few people did know him.

When the Europe of between-the-wars, that Europe that spoke so nobly and acted so shabbily, cast up Hitler out of the agony of its suffering, Arnold Wilson went to Germany to study the new movement. He was impressed. He was more than impressed. He was genuinely moved. The apparent self-sacrifice and devotion of Nazism stirred his being. He liked the ruthless efficiency with which it moved to attain its aims. And the dark side of it escaped him. . . . he never saw the wretched thinkers shut away behind the wires or the party bosses swilling champagne on the subscriptions of men and women who went short of bread to pay them.

Back to England he came as an advocate, as the advocate of friendship between Democratic England and Nazi Germany.

It was not his habit to restrain his convictions or to tone his views down. He said and he wrote what he thought, quite indifferent to abuse and serenely impervious to awkward points that were raised against him.

He believed in his case and he argued it until Germany gave her answer. That was in September, 1939.

Arnold Wilson was stunned. It was as if Hitler's blow against civilisation had struck him across the eyes. By chance we met and he poured out his soul to me.

"Because of the wrong done by men like myself," he said, "tens of thousands of young men will die. It is terrible. I believed in Hitler and his creed when I should have been denouncing. I must atone. Somehow I must atone."

He went to the War Office and they offered him an important staff job. He refused and went to the Air Ministry. They said they could use him in the intelligence. "I must fight," was his answer. He went to the recruiting office of the Royal Air Force and demanded to be examined for his physical fitness. Although 55 years of age he passed every test because one of his axioms was to keep himself absolutely fit.

So he went into action. With the lowest commissioned rank in the Air Force he served as a gunner cooped in a turret intended for the slim bodies of young men. Over the land, over the mountains and over the sea he flew. He fought in the skies over Norway during that disaster. Flying over Germany on those keen spring nights he confronted cold, uncertainty, fatigue, danger. He was as brave as any man and as uncomplaining. But the odds were heavy and the war was going badly.

An anxious House of Commons gathered to hear the Prime Minister. It was one of those debates that historians, dramatists and film producers will be reconstructing till the end of time. It was the debate that brought Chamberlain down. Arnold Wilson rose to speak. He wore his Air Force blue. There were many ribbons on his chest. There he stood earnestly pleading for more restraint, more dignity, while member after member rose to assail the tottering Chamberlain Government.

I saw him and I was astonished at the change. The great frame was almost gaunt, the cheeks sunken, there were warning shadows under his eyes.

And because I loved the man, I went up afterwards and pleaded with him. I took him to my house. I reasoned, argued, tried to persuade. Whatever the atonement he thought necessary he had surely made it now. "It may be," he said. "It may be I have made my atonement. But now something else has happened. It's those boys in my Squadron. They've come to look to me in rather a fine way. . . . I couldn't let them down. You see, when I joined the R.A.F., I took a vow. I swore to serve as a gunner for one year. And as a gunner I must see that year out."

He went away into the black-out and I was left there wondering. Now it happened that two weeks later I was appointed to an important post in the Ministry of Aircraft Production. I needed a man who was experienced and eloquent. A man with forcefulness and strong personality and I thought and thought of Arnold Wilson.

Two things were in my mind. One was that we really needed him. The other was that we must save him from death.

Once more the House of Commons was meeting, meeting in the shadow of mighty happenings and I was certain Arnold Wilson would be there. The Nazi flood was rolling westward. Holland was engulfed. The Belgians had gone under and France was drowning. All those things for which the West had stood were threatened as they had not been threatened since the Goths rattled at the gates of Imperial Rome. The British Army fought its way stubbornly back to Dunkirk. Only our amazing Air Force, sustaining a combat hopelessly unequal up above the narrow seas, was there to preserve the freedom of men's souls, the liberty of their consciences into ages beyond the computing of men.

So Europe's last free Parliament assembled to hear the new Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill. But he was not there. Perhaps after all he had not been able to get leave.

The day wore on towards late evening. I could not sit still listening to the sequence of the back bench speeches. Outside in Parliament Square I bought an evening paper. There was his picture. He looked at me from the front page. A few lines underneath explained that Sir Arnold Wilson, M.P., was missing. He was one of the 'planes over Germany that failed to return.

Arnold Wilson had atoned, and his conscience was at peace.

# Mechanisation Found Key To British Desert Coup

One of the marvels connected with Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell's rapid advance across the desert, through sand storms and cold nights, was the smooth working of the maintenance system that made sustained high speed possible.

Tanks, in particular, demand a high standard of efficiency in this respect. In Britain's armoured divisions, each brigade has its "light recovery" section, its light repair section, and an ordnance field park section, which carries in packets all light material required for use by the regimental light-aid detachments.

Behind all this is the divisional workshop which takes on all the heavy repair work.

This is not the spectacular side of modern mechanised warfare. But neither is gasoline delivery, except perhaps when done the way the Germans sometimes did it in France—by having 'planes bring up gasoline, making a crash landing with it if necessary.

## Vital To Success

These prosaic matters are vital to success, however, and in Britain's sudden desert thrust the organisation of them was as smooth moving as the tanks and armoured cars and trucks themselves.

It was precisely the non-arrival of mechanical transports from Italy, that, according to Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, was responsible for the fact that he had not already attacked the British by the time they attacked him.

Working in close collaboration with the motor battalions, the heavy tanks, the cruiser tanks and other units is another innovation—an elusive machine known colloquially as "the dingo," an Australian term for wild dog.

This little scout car has heavy armoured, bullet-proof tires, a very powerful engine, and a happy capability for running forward or backward at speeds up to 60 miles an hour without turning around.

This unique characteristic enables the driver to advance along a road, and if suddenly made aware of the presence of the

enemy, to shift gears, skew himself round sideways in a self-adjusting seat, and make away at top speed.

This is a vital consideration since the dingo's job is to carry a platoon commander on a personal

By R. Maillard  
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reconnaissance, or convey dispatches at times when the tanks are preserving wireless silence.

## Radio In Every Tank

Because of the speedy intercommunication, essential between the armoured units, a wireless transmitter and receiver are strung out on every tank. At times, however, it is either inappropriate or impossible to use them.

The motor battalion is a new feature of Britain's armoured division, each of which is now a self-contained formation, comprising a proportion of all arms and its supporting services, which are needed for fighting on its own.

The motor battalion has important duties to discharge. It is a force of infantry carried by motor transport, fighting on foot, and required to be capable of doing a long route march in case of necessity.

It has the responsibility for seeing that the tanks are not frittered away in an attack—clearing the way for them, overcoming anti-tank opposition, and making sure that the tank commanders—gentlemen with a prodigious amount to think about—get as much rest as possible—particularly at night when they are "in harbour."

The same considerations apply in withdrawal, and the motor battalion provides an armoured brigade commander with means, under his own administration, of covering his retreat.

General Wavell's whirlwind offensive has been a tale of the Royal Armoured Corps thrusting unexpectedly through to the Italian areas, turning toward the coast to strike from flank and rear, as well as the front, severing com-

munications, throwing supports into confusion, keeping the foe from effective reorganisation by rapid sustained advance of bomber-aided armoured fighting vehicles, while truck-borne infantry rushed up to consolidate the positions gained, to subdue the points of stubborn resistance, and to round up the prisoners.

To appreciate how this new force has come about, one needs to consider a transformation that has taken place in Britain's land forces here and in the Middle East since the fall of France, which cost the British expeditionary force all its mechanical equipment.

The only redeeming feature of the defeat in North France was that it caused compulsory re-equipment of the British Army on absolutely the most modern lines. This process now has been carried so far that military authorities tell me they believe Britain possesses in its Royal Armoured Corps, tanks and other armoured vehicles at least as good as or possibly superior in certain respects to those at Germany's disposal.

## Proof Of Efficiency

Operations in the western desert have provided the first real illustration of what the Royal Armoured Corps' formations can do in attack. In France, the Royal Armoured Corps was responsible for divisional reconnaissance, but it was then—as an eyewitness expressed it—"all over the shop," the Army Tank Brigade being north of the Somme and Britain's only armoured division being south of that river.

Not only were these two components of the corps separated instead of being united in action, but the motor battalion which should have been an integral part of the armoured division, was north of the Somme and certain other detachments were lacking as well.

Despite the persistent threat of a possible invasion of Britain by Germany, many tanks and other equipment have been sent out to Egypt, and to cite Marshal Graziani's report: "It was in the crushing superiority of the armoured units, which were employed en masse, that the reason for the enemy's initial success was to be found."

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# MEXICO HUNT FOR PRO-NAZI PLOTTERS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE MEXICAN Ministry of Interior revealed yesterday that it is probing a secret pro-Nazi group with 150,000 members which, it alleged, is preparing to foment trouble in Mexico in the event of the United States actively enrolling in the war.

Deserters are reported to have revealed that 250 Gestapo agents are in Mexico recruiting an underground "League of National Socialist Partisans" allied to the Spanish Falangists, many of whom are in Mexico awaiting General Franco's command to act.

It is claimed that armed raids from Guatemala across the southern border of Mexico were planned.

Deserters further say that Nazi activities in Mexico would be timed to coincide with uprisings and sabotage in Brazil, Uruguay and other Latin American countries.

In Mexico, strikes, riots and demonstrations were planned.

## Incident Planned

It is claimed a diplomatic incident was planned to discredit President Roosevelt's good neighbour policy and engender Latin American ill will towards the United States.

It is also claimed that the Nazis intended to attempt to seize the Government in Guatemala.—International News Service.

## SHELTER SQUAD OF WOMEN POLICE

Forty London police-women have been formed into a Girl Protection Patrol to move about the capital to prevent black-out and shelter incidents.

The squad includes an inspector, eight sergeants, and 31 constables.

They are not attached to any division. Their "beat" is the whole Metropolis, and they will patrol from headquarters, in the same way as the "Flying Squad."

The policewomen have been formed into the squad because of the many recent complaints of incidents in the raid shelters and in the blacked-out streets.

## Special Report

Special officers of Scotland Yard who investigated conditions in the Tubes and other shelters at night have recently reported to Sir Philip Game the Commissioner, on the conduct of some people using the shelters.

Sir Philip has also received urgent representations from the London Public Morality Council to provide a full-time watch on the shelters and to appoint more women police to assist in the task.

## PARIS LISTENS TO B.B.C. AT NIGHT

"NIGHTS IN PARIS ARE A VERITABLE TUMULT WITH THE BRITISH RADIO BLARING FROM BALCONIES, WINDOWS AND COURTYARDS," WRITES THE PARIS CORRESPONDENT OF THE MADRID NEWSPAPER "YA."

Discussing popular reaction in the French capital to Germany's "new European order," the correspondent asks:

"Are we really moving towards peace?"

"So the Paris newspapers say. On the other hand public

## WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has moved into the Pacific to the eastward of Japan but pressure is again increasing over North China and Manchuria; a depression may be developing over South Japan.

## NAZI DIPLOMAT SHOT

The body of Richard von Heynitz, German Charge d'Affaires in the Republic of Salvador, has been found in a wood with a bullet in the head. It is believed that he committed suicide.

# The Yanks Are On The Way

THE YANKS REALLY are coming now — and, in the words of a recruiting sergeant, their tempers are "something awful."

They are pouring across the border to enlist in the Canadian forces because they are in a raging temper with a man named Adolf Hitler, and they want to vent it on him in full.

Sheer fury at Hitler's outrages on London's civilians, and the belief that not even the United States can be God's own country until he is crushed, is the obvious reason for the latest rush of American recruits to the Canadian Colours.

In Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and other big cities Americans are arriving by foot, train and car, all saying in a variety of strong ways: "Let me get at that man Hitler."

Joe Goole, of Pittsburgh, who arrived in Montreal by train, told how nights of bad Hitler dreams made him decide he could never be at peace until he "helped to whip him."

## U.S. Canadians

"I want to get over to Europe as soon as I can," added Joe. "Look at my foot. I feel it was made to kick that guy Hitler in the pants."

In a big Montreal hotel they told how a young man arrived in a chauffeur-driven car with rich friends in other cars.

He threw a big party, then smashed glasses and hurried off to join up.

Major Roy, of the big recruiting centre at Place Vigier Barracks, Montreal, said a day never passes without Americans offering themselves for service.

"Some are college men of good social background, others are working men. All are magnificent," he added.

## Figures Secret

The rush of Americans to serve in the Canadian Royal Air Force is so great that numbers have

been turned down until there is room for them. The Commonwealth Air Training scheme has at least 250 American instructors. It is impossible to say accurately how many thousands of Americans have enlisted in Canada. Such figures are not revealed and there is an additional difficulty in that so many recruits from across the border give Canadian addresses. "It is strange how many men with strong New York or Southern accents solemnly announce they were born in Quebec or Ontario," said a Canadian Officer.

## BOMB GIFT FOR HITLER

An offer to pay the cost of a halfton bomb and enough petrol for it to be dropped on Hitler's Berchtesgaden home has been made to Mr. Churchill by Mr. Haldeman-Julius, a book publisher of Girard, Kansas, U.S.A.

He has written to Mr. Churchill, saying: "I will pay the cost of bomb, plus petrol, if you will assign a competent pilot to drop it on the chief butcher's Berchtesgaden habitat, the scene of Hitler's conspiracies against civilisation."

## DANUBE FLOOD DISASTER THREATENED

Large masses of ice in the Danube below Budapest have caused an extremely critical situation in certain districts where the water is already level with the top of the protective dykes, says a Budapest despatch. Hungarian troops, with 10,000 sandbags, are striving to stem the threatened floods and are preparing to blow up the ice with dynamite.—Reuter.



# NEW CAMPAIGN OF AID TO BRITAIN

**A NATIONWIDE APPEAL TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO TAKE STEPS NECESSARY TO ENSURE BRITAIN'S FOOD SUPPLIES IS BEING ORGANISED IN NEW YORK.**

A letter to President Roosevelt, already signed by over 100 prominent Americans, after declaring that the American people overwhelmingly agree with the President's statement that America must become the arsenal of Democracy, proceeds to say:

"The gallant garrisons of Democracy may need more than arms; they may need food.

"Hitler boasts that submarine sinkings to date are only a fore-taste of what is to come soon.

"Men, no matter how brave, in order to fight victoriously on land and sea and in the air must know that starvation cannot threaten the homes they are defending

"It is within our power to see that such a threat does not materialise."

The letter says that the conquered peoples, "whose food is being stolen from them to feed the German armies of occupation," can be helped only by being freed from the yoke of the oppressor, but Americans can see to it that their only hope of liberation is not destroyed as it would be if the British Isles should be reduced through starvation.

The signatories ask the President to "take such steps as may be necessary to make us not only the arsenal but the lauder of Democracy."—Reuter.

## Eve of Debate

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

On the eve of the Senate debate on the Lease and Lend Bill the Vice-President, Mr. Henry Wallace, revealed the receipt of a petition signed by 150 leading educators, actors, writers and churchmen appealing to President Roosevelt to make the United States "not only the arsenal but the lauder of Democracy" by rushing food to Britain.

Mr. Wallace's publication of the petition indicates Administration sympathy though he made no comments. — International News Service.

## BOMB CURED PARALYSIS

Trying to save herself from a bomb which fell near her as she sold flags in the street has cured a woman of paralysis. She is Miss Lily Townsend, of Randolph Gardens, Maida Vale, W.

Since last February she had been partially paralysed in her left arm as a result of a fall, and to help Westminster Hospital, where she was treated, she sells flags in the street.

Now she is in hospital again — but with her paralysis cured by a bomb. It fell while she was pinning a flag on a girl's costume.

Miss Townsend was thrown to the ground and her right shoulder, right arm and right side was injured.

But when she regained her senses she found that her injuries had cured her paralysed left arm.

"In her joy she waved the pin about," said an official of the hospital.

"She has since been examined by surgeons, who now think the paralysis was due to an adhesion, and that in her fall when the bomb burst she unconsciously used her paralysed arm to save herself, and so cured the previous injury."

## FRICITION ON A MACAO BOAT

AN OFFICER OF THE S.S. KAUTUNG AND AN ASSISTANT IMMIGRATION OFFICER ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE COME TO BLOWS ON THE VESSEL YESTERDAY.

The immigration official had to be sent to the Queen Mary Hospital for treatment but was not detained.

It is understood that the incident occurred in the course of examination of the ship's passengers by immigration officials.

## SILK STOLEN

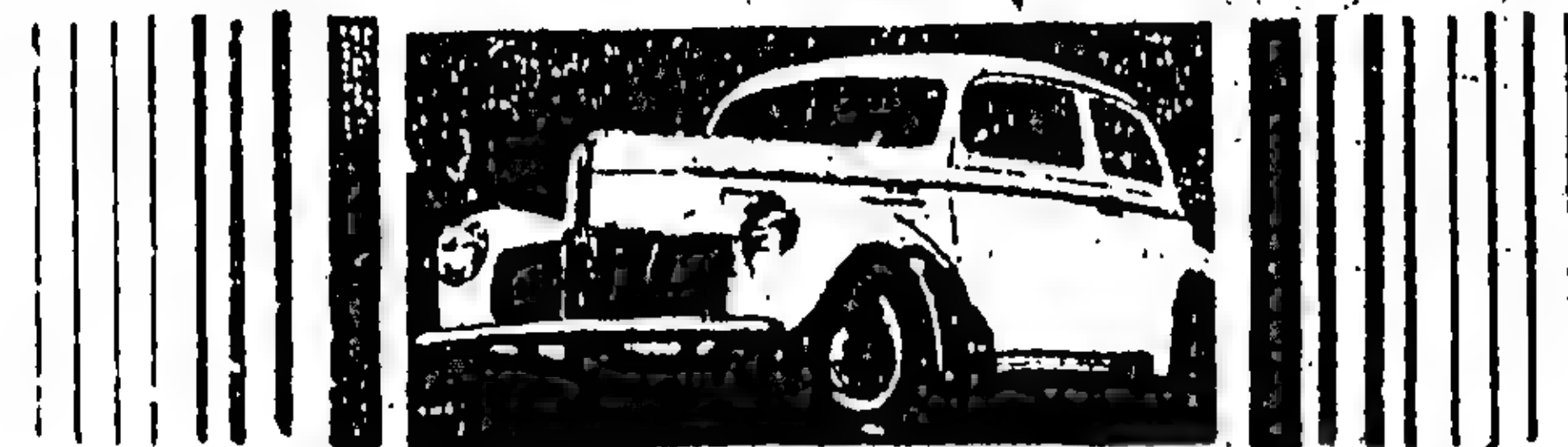
Two bales of raw silk, valued at \$100, were stolen from a lorry parked outside No. 120, Connaught Road West, between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. yesterday.

## THEFT OF SPARE WHEEL

Chan Ping-fan, of No. 2, Hui Hing Street, has reported the theft of a spare wheel and tyre, valued at \$70, from his car No. 74, which was parked outside his house between midnight and 7 a.m. yesterday.

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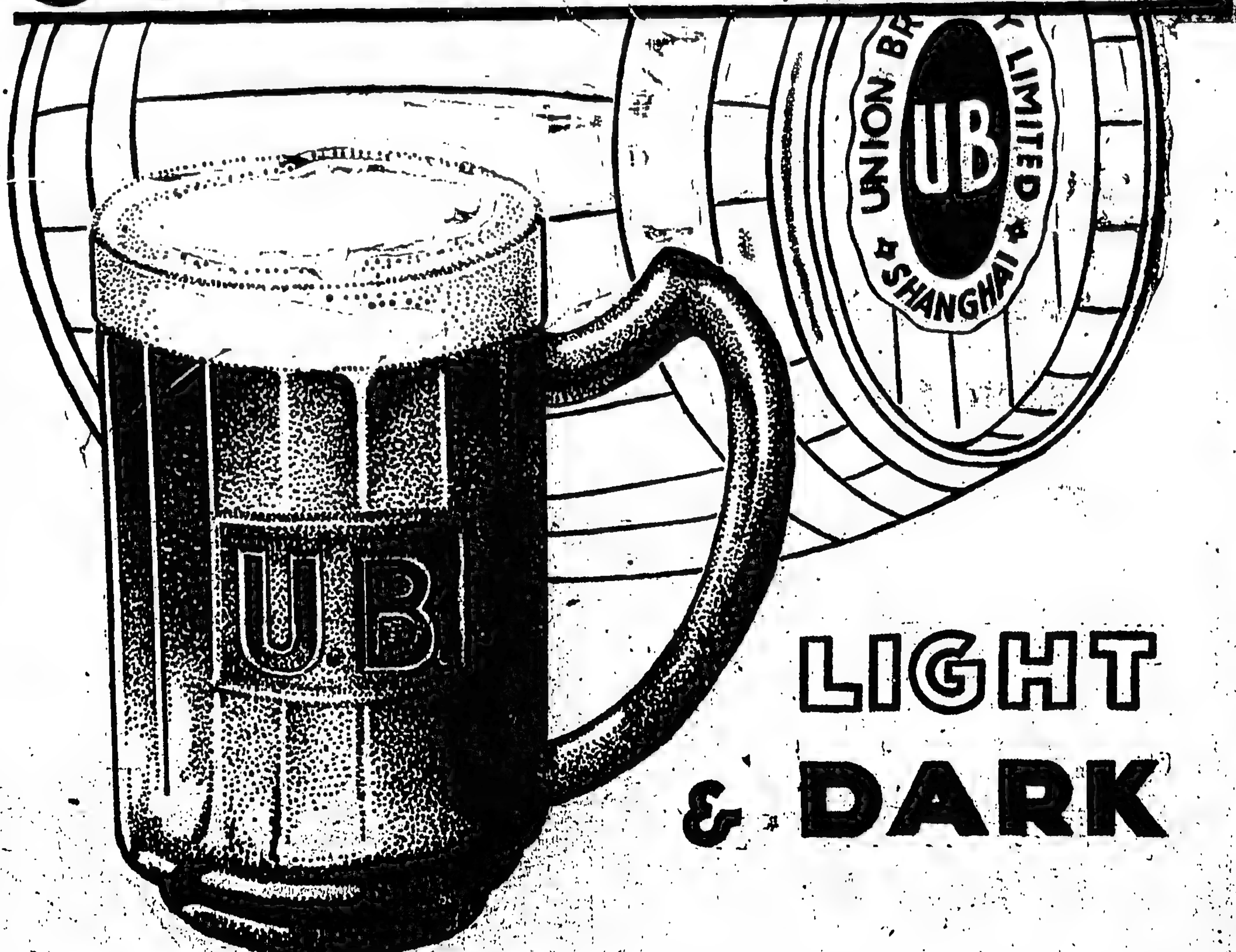
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## HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th February, 1941, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940. The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Thursday, the 13th February to Wednesday, the 26th February, 1941 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th February, 1941.

## THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 15th March, 1941, at NOON for the following purposes, namely, to consider the annual statement of accounts and the balance sheet and the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon, to elect directors and auditors in the place of those retiring, to declare a dividend, to appropriate the balance of Profit and Loss Account as recommended by the Directors, and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE is also given that the Share Transfer Registers will be closed from 1st March, 1941, to 15th March, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,  
R. A. WICKERSON,  
Secretary & Manager.  
Hong Kong, 14th Feb., 1941.

## PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

THURSDAY, 20th February, 1941, commencing at 10.30 a.m. at their Sales Room, No. 2, Connaught Road, Central, Second Floor.

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LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers, Hong Kong, 16th February, 1941.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

### ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1941

Postponed to:—

FIRST DAY—

Monday, 17th February.

SECOND DAY—

Tuesday, 18th February.

THIRD DAY—

Wednesday, 19th February.

FOURTH DAY—

Saturday, 22nd February.

FIFTH DAY—

Saturday, 1st March.

The programme fixed for 15th February will be run off on MONDAY, 17th February, and the subsequent days' programmes in consecutive order.

On Monday, 17th, Tuesday, 18th, Wednesday, 19th, and Saturday, 22nd February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 1st March, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be after the fifth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

### MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear the r badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all debts, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 9.45 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 11.45 a.m. ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, (Tel. 21920).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

### SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. S. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 9th. February, 1941.

## THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

### Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY the 28th February, 1941, at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 19th February 1941, to Friday, the 28th February, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. M. MANNERS,

Secretary & Manager.

Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1941.

## BRIDGE NOTES

### BRIDGE SWINDLES — NO. 26

#### By The Four Aces

The Bridge Swindle executed by West in to-day's hand is not certain to succeed, but is often effective:

North, Dealer  
Neither side vulnerable

♠ 6 5 2  
♥ A Q 10 9  
♦ A 10 9 7  
♣ Q J

♠ 9 7 3  
♥ K 8 5 2  
♦ 4 3  
♣ 10 6 5 2

West  
♠ 4  
♥ J 7 4  
♦ J 8 6 2  
♣ 9 8 7 4 8

South  
♠ A K Q J 10 8  
♥ 6 3  
♦ K Q 5  
♣ A K

#### The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♦	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	7♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

West decided to force the issue at once by leading the eight of hearts. The eight was chosen since that card would seem to be a "top-of-nothing" lead, indicating that

West held no high cards in the suit. West hoped that South would be reluctant to risk the Grand Slam with a finesse on

the very first trick, so would look for some other way to make his contract.

And West had his wish, for his lead induced South to put up the heart Ace. Declarer next led out all of his trumps, discarding hearts from the dummy, and then cashed the two top clubs. Finally, South went after his main hope the diamonds. He could obtain the vital discard if the Jack dropped early, if the suit split 3-3, or if East showed out in time for a finesse through West. But, as it happened, East had the long diamonds, and had carefully saved them all; so South could get no discard and failed to make the Grand Slam.

Note that South would have made his contract if West had led anything but a heart. With any other lead, South would have drawn trumps and postponed the heart play until he had found out about the diamond situation. When he had discovered that the diamonds would not furnish a discard, he would be obliged to take the heart finesse — and would therefore make his contract.

Saturday you were Howard Scheriken's partner, and with neither side vulnerable, you held:



12-26  
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Dieting Dot feels that one more holiday feast and she'll again be up against fighting her normal weight.

## SOAP NEEDED FOR SHELTERS

Supplies of soap and water and provision of artificial sunlight are considered by some doctors to be the most urgent requirements of shelters.

"Gargles and sprays, masks and medicines, all have their advocates but we have yet to meet with any mention of the two most powerful remedies," says a "Medical World" writer.

"The first is soap and water, liberally applied to shelters, and, if possible, to the shelterers.

"We have observed no washing facilities in any shelter, and hope that their absence may soon be remedied. Neither have we seen any trace of even the cheapest soap.

"The second remedy is sunlight which must in the circumstances be artificial. We believe that we are quite correct in saying that a few sunlight lamps would be far more efficacious than all the mists of Westminster."

♠ K Q J 10 6  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ Q J 7  
♣ 4

#### The bidding:

You	Sherry	Scheriken	Maler
Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass
(?)			

ANSWER: Bid one spade. The hand may be a misfit, and you have no reason to get enthusiastic unless a good fit can be found. Score 100% for one spade; 60% for two spades.

### Question No. 641

To-day you are Merwin Maler's partner and you hold the above hand, but the bidding goes:

You	Sherry	Maler	Scheriken
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
(?)			

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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## Bringing Up Father



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN

# Ills Caused By Insufficient Exercise

WINTER is a good time to warn women that many minor illnesses are caused through insufficient exercise. During cooler months women are likely to neglect this phase of intelligent body care—getting down on the mat or out of doors to exercise becomes a major effort!

There is a marvellous physician (who's name I am not permitted to divulge because of medical ethics) who treats ailing women with the most sensible psychology.

After his female patients pour out their woes and describe their ailments he examines them carefully in a routine manner and prescribes two weeks of corrective diet, more sunshine than what they have been taking, and exercise every blessed day.

He may give a patient a prescription of something quite harmless if he thinks that will make her feel she has had her fee's worth, but on the whole he sends them out to take care of themselves for fourteen days and his last words of advice are quite likely to be, "The exercise is very important. Force yourself to take it even if you have little desire for it. Two weeks of exercise will greatly aid me in putting my finger on your trouble."

### The Way Of Woman

If the woman is truly worried about her condition she returns



Exercises can be performed during the day while doing household chores. This one, for instance, is done while sweeping. Every once in a while step over the broom as high as you can. This simple exercise stretches leg muscles, relieves strain and reduces hips and stomach.

### AID FOR THE AGEING.

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**Dr. Williams' Pink Pills**

for her second visit. He examines her again, inquires about what exercise she embraced and how frequently. The chances are nine to ten that she was pretty lazy about the exercise. He then prescribes another week or two week programme and cautions her again that she must exercise if she wants an accurate diagnosis.

Some women never come back after the first visit. They embrace exercise and the corrective diet and feel so well that they figure it foolish to go and pay another doctor's fee.

"I lose patients that way," this doctor told me with a grand twinkle in his eyes, "but I start them on the road of a couple of more years of good health."

The repeater patients may or may not have something organically or mentally wrong with them, but this physician figures a lot of guess work can be eliminated when the patient has shaken herself out of a lethargy and lived sensibly for several weeks. Very stout ladies' loose weight

during the first weeks and too thin ladies put on a little weight. They like coming to the doctor who seems to be "sensible," and who shows a most amazing interest in their conditions.

In discussing this technique with me this physician stated candidly that some of these patients do need medical treatment but many of them do not. All of them are benefitted by the health routine and in some cases rather serious illnesses and operations are averted. Emergency cases, naturally, are quickly diagnosed and cared for. But will you believe it, he estimated that more than sixty-five per cent of these women have no ailments other than physical laziness.

"Life is too easy for them, and they have not the common sense to exercise their bodies to keep them fit," the doctor said. "Naturally, aches and pains and other imaginary ills send them to me, and some are terribly disappointed when I tell them nothing is wrong with them and they do not need an operation!"

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## **THURSDAY**

Canton  
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## **FRIDAY**

FOR DATE & TIME

## **OUTWARD MAILS MONDAY**

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# **RADIO**

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.  
12.30 p.m.—Bruch—Concerto No. 1 in G Minor, Op. 26.  
12.54 p.m.—Two Songs by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).  
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.  
1.03 p.m.—Some Welsh Songs.  
1.15 p.m.—Band of His Majesty's Coldstream Guards.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—Variety.  
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.  
5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.  
6.32 p.m.—Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Ruddigore."  
7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.  
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."  
7.30 p.m.—Studio—Talk on Ballet illustrated by gramophone records.  
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 p.m.—This week's programmes.  
8.07 p.m.—Negro Spirituals.  
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"  
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.  
9.30 p.m.—Moussorgsky—"Pictures at an Exhibition" Suite.  
10.00 p.m.—Songs by Theodore Chailapine (Bass).  
10.10 p.m.—Eileen Joyce at the Piano.  
10.25 p.m.—A Programme of English Music.  
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.



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SAIGON

*Dakar Maru	Sunday,	23rd Feb.
(Cargo accepted for Saigon)		

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Anyo Maru	Saturday,	1st Mar.
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## R.A.F. FOIL MURDER IN SKY

Spitfires formed themselves into a bodyguard and "escorted" a parachuting R.A.F. pilot to the ground, when he baled out during an air battle over Kent.

The new "encirclement policy" has been adopted by the R.A.F. to prevent German planes machine-gunning any more of our men after they have baled out.

Recently a Messerschmidt dived time after time to gun an R.A.F. pilot as he drifted slowly to the ground. The pilot was dead when he landed.

Towards the end of the battle a pilot was seen to bale out.

While a Messerschmidt lurked high in the air, Spitfires flew in a nose-to-tail circle round the falling airman.

"They started to circle round him almost as soon as his parachute opened at a great height," an eye-witness told a reporter. "And they didn't leave him for a moment until he was safely on the ground."

"All the time the Messerschmidt hovered high in the sky — seemingly waiting for a chance to repeat the last murder."

## LAMOUR'S KISSES ARE NOT ERSATZ

Dorothy Lamour's movie kisses are 100 per cent.

She went into a clench, winding up with the inevitable fade-out kiss, with young Ted North. Ted, who hasn't been in Hollywood for long, expressed himself as much impressed.

But the director was not satisfied. He asked: "Were those ersatz kisses, or the real thing?" Dorothy bristled. She demanded an electro-cardiograph test to prove it.

The electrodes of the machine were attached to one of her shapely legs and to each wrist. A graph of her normal heart action was recorded, and then she went into action.

Clinical observations showed that as she kissed her blood pressure soared, her pulse rate leaped from eighty-four to 110 and there was a marked "hippus reaction" in the pupil of the eye, demonstrating emotional stress.

North's reactions were not taken, but he contributed a layman's observation that as far as he could tell there was absolutely nothing lacking. — Associated Press.

## KEEP BED FOR YOU SIR, (ONLY 5d. TO YOU)

CHILDREN, SOME OF THEM under five, have founded a new war service — bagging shelter accommodation for relatives and clients in the London Tubes.

In many cases the children are seeking safety for families as large as fifteen. Their charges range up to 4d. or 5d. per space.

The more comfortable and less draughty spots are monopolised by older boys, who charge as high as 9d. and 1s. These youngsters have regular customers. No wonder.

You can see them any day, hanging around Underground stations, barred to them until "after school hours."

They stand for hours during heavy air-raids so that they may keep the pitches they have reserved for their parents and others who cannot themselves stand in queues so early.

Children are released from school early so that they may go and save shelter accommodation for their elders.

### For His Grannie

In many cases they do not go to school at all.

If they take cover during air-raids and go to shelters, as they are advised, they lose their place in the shelter queues.

Sydney Scouridge, aged thirteen, whose mother has a crippled arm, of East Acton, told a reporter:—

"I have stood for hours outside Tube stations. Sometimes I miss school."

"Policemen have advised me to take shelter in air-raids. When I have done so I have found my place has been taken in the queue."

Dennis Gigg, aged ten, of Kensington, has been protecting sleeping room in one London Tube for his grandmother, grandfather and relatives for more than a month after they were all bombed out of their various homes.

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## VOLUNTEER CRICKET WEEK

There will be considerable cricket activity among the Volunteers in the course of the next three days. To-day, starting at 2 p.m., they will be entertained at Chater Road by Hong Kong Cricket Club, to-morrow they will play Kowloon Cricket Club, and on Wednesday the Officers and Sergeants of the Corps will play Other Ranks.

Following are the teams:

To-day (v H.K.C.C.) — E. C. Fincher, K. M. Baxter, R. T. Broadbridge, W. S. Gegg, G. N. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, L. G. Gosano, T. A. Madar, P. M. N. da Silva, A. Zimmern and E. Zimmern.

H.K.C.C. — H. Owen-Hughes (Capt.), L. T. Ride, J. E. Richardson, C. W. E. Bishop, N. D. Booker, D. O. Parsons, G. J. P. Carey, D. S. Robb, W. G. Finnie, C. M. Stark and I. P. Tamworth.

To-morrow (v K.C.C.) — H. Owen-Hughes, G. G. Aitkenhead, D. G. Day, G. N. Gosano, L. G. Gosano, R. H. Griffiths, J. L. Isley, D. O. Parsons, L. T. Ride, P. M. N. da Silva and E. Zimmern. Twelfth Man—A. E. Perry.

Wednesday (at H.K.C.C.) Officers and Sergeants XI:—H. Owen-Hughes, D. J. N. Anderson, J. Barrow, A. E. Perry, J. E. Potter, L. T. Ride, A. M. Rodrigues, I. P. Tamworth, R. D. Walker, G. S. Wines and E. Zimmern.

Other Ranks XI:—R. H. Griffiths, K. M. Baxter, D. I. Bosanquet, E. F. Fincher, W. S. Gegg, L. G. Gosano, D. Hung, D. O. Parsons, C. M. Stark, A. Zimmern and F. R. Zimmern.

### K.C.C. TEAMS

For to-morrow's match K.C.C. will be represented by:—E. C. Fincher, D. J. N. Anderson, E. F. Fincher, D. Hung, A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, W. C. Hung, R. T. Broadbridge, R. E. Lee, K. M. Baxter and T. A. Madar. Scorer T. W. Carr; Umpire J. P. Robinson.

On Wednesday Kowloon Cricket Club will entertain Royal Army Service Corps at Cox's Road, starting 2 p.m. Following is the K.C.C. team:—E. Curtis, T. A. Madar, G. E. Taylor, W. L. Rapley, H. Brokenshire, L. R. Burch, W. W. Parsons, R. T. Broadbridge, W. C. Chung, J. W. Bertram and F. Crabb.

## HOGARTH'S MATCH AT HAMPDEN PK.

R. Hogarth, Police junior centre-half and Rugby forward, was a Scottish Schoolboy International Soccer player, playing centre-half against England at Hampden Park in 1925 — the Scots won 2-1 — and it was then thought that young Hogarth would make the grade and enter professional football.

Unfortunately, however, he played no soccer after leaving school until he joined the Kilmarnock Burgh Police, for whom he played at centre-half. He came to the Colony about two years ago and prefers to play in the Police second team, on whom he has a steady influence. He has played forward this season for Police in the Quadrangular Rugby Tournament.

## L.C.'S WIN RETURN MATCH

Playing on Kowloon Cricket Club's green yesterday, the K.C.C. were beaten in a friendly return game of lawn bowls by a team from Lane Crawfords, 54-47. Scores were:

S. Carr, G. Tanner, A. B. Hamilton, and E. C. Fincher (L.C.) beat H. Brokenshire, S. A. Gray, R. B. Wellwood and J. Fraser 19-15.  
H. Burson, T. H. Edgar, H. W. Randall and A. W. Brown (L.C.) lost to A. E. P. Guest, R. G. Burch, A. Steven and V. C. Labrum 16-20.

W. C. Ogley, J. W. Bertram, J. H. S. Duncan and W. W. Parson (L.C.) beat D. Hung, F. Zimmern, L. Jack and T. A. Madar 19-12.

## GOLF RESULTS

Following are the latest golf results:—

Stubbs Shield Final. — P.W.D. (D. S. Edward 4 and C. W. E. Bishop 13) beat 5th A.A. Regiment, R.A. (T. A. Pearce 3 and J. D. Clague 8) by one hole.

G. M. Young Cup Final.—Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corp. beat Butterfield and Swire. Second "S.C.M.P." Competition. —Major K. S. Simpson 20 and Capt. A. C. F. Drew Wilkinson 15 tied with scores of five up. They will play off. There were 243 entries.

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# POOR SHOOTING BY ARMY FORWARDS IN LAI WAH TIE

## Howlett And Ferrier Do Well In Civilian Attack

### THE BIG SWEEP

At 9.30 this morning, the sale of tickets in the Hong Kong Jockey Club sweep on the Rooter-Hill Derby had reached the colossal figure of 914,110.

### RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

- Race No. 1  
CONFUSION BAY  
HURFORD  
NAVYLIGHT  
Outsider:—O. Lan.
- Race No. 2  
UNITED EXPRESS  
SYDNEY DIAMOND  
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Outsider:—Newborn Star.
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Outsider:—First Love.
- Race No. 4  
A SURPRISING TIME  
BLACK SEAL  
SANTA ANITA  
Outsider:—Castle Hill.
- Race No. 5  
LOVELY LIGHT  
IRON BEAUTY  
GLOSSYLIGHT  
Outsider:—Eve of Grandeur.
- Race No. 6  
DISTANT VIEW  
KING'S WELCOME  
CANBERRA  
Outsider:—Gloaming.
- Race No. 7  
SAPPER  
FAR VIEW  
BAFFIN BAY  
Outsider:—Viceroy.
- Race No. 8  
MARSH WARBLER  
NOMINE POENAE  
PRAIRIE VIEW  
Outsider:—Fleetwing.
- Race No. 9  
VITAMIN M.  
TWINKLING STAR  
BENDEMEER  
Outsider:—Newmarket Day.
- Race No. 10  
OOLONG  
CHARLESBER  
VELVETLIGHT  
Outsider:—World Fair View.
- Race No. 11  
ROWAN  
CRIFFEL  
SPRINGHURST  
Outsider:—Fair Chance.
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## Gough, Pope And Lapsley Brilliant

By "Sportshawk"

ARMY, WHO DESERVEDLY DEFEATED THE HOLDERS, CHINA, IN THE SEMI-FINAL ROUND BY 4 GOALS TO 1, WENT DOWN BADLY TO CIVILIANS IN THE FINAL OF THE LAI WAH CUP COMPETITION ON THE CLUB GROUND YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, BY 5 GOALS TO 2, AFTER CIVILIANS HAD LED AT THE INTERVAL BY THE ODD GOAL IN THREE.

Although heavily beaten, the soldiers had a fair share of the exchanges for the greater part of the game.

Had Fox, the Army leader, not missed several scoring opportunities, the soldiers might very well have forced a draw or done even better.

Howlett played a big part in the Civilians' victory, while Ferrier was the schemer of the attack.

The Civilians' intermediate-line was best served by Gough, who played a hard game throughout and combined well with Pope on his right.

These two players kept their forwards supplied with numerous well-placed through passes in addition to defending well.

Lapsley played a brilliant game between the sticks for the Civilians, while Blackburn was the mainstay of the full-back division.

### Poor Marksmen

Army played very well as a team and attacked for two-thirds of the game, but their forwards were miserable in front of goal, and this factor was the main cause of their downfall.

Bankier, the custodian, and the backs, Naysmith and Fraser, played well in defence for the soldiers and they could not altogether be blamed for letting their opponents through on five occasions; the two backs relieved many an awkward situation.

Bright, the pivot, though not brilliant, did some good work when Army were defending.

Hossack and Fox combined well in attack and also did well individually but they both failed with their finishing.

### Wingers Not Used

Another reason for Army's defeat was their failure to use their wingers.

Howlett drew first blood for the Civilians about 16 minutes after the whistle by heading in a pass from Rietsen, and the same player placed his side in the lead soon after as the result of a pass from Pope.

Fox, however, went straight through the Civilians' defence and beat Lapsley with a grounder just before the interval to reduce the lead.

### Army Press

On the resumption, Army again applied pressure but were unable to score.

After a good movement, Fowler added a further goal for the Civilians, while Wier reduced the arrears from a scrimmage for the Army.

Not long towards the end, Fowler placed the issue beyond doubt with a good shot.

After the contest, His Excellency, Major-General A. E. Grissett, presented the Cup to Howlett, the Civilians' captain.

**CIVILIANS**—Lapsley (Kowloon), Blackburn (Police), Gough (Kowloon), Pope (Police), Gough (Police), and Maxwell (Kowloon); Fowler (Club), B. Gosano (Kowloon), Howlett (Police), Rietsen (Police), and Rietsen (Club).

**ARMY**—Bankier (R. Scots), Naysmith (R. Scots), Fraser (R. Scots), Birrell (Engineers), Bright (Middlesex), Freshwater (Middlesex), Owens (R.A.), Hossack (R. Scots), Fox (Engineers), Wier (R.A.S.C.) and Duffield (R.A.O.C.) (capt.).

### Useful Change

Neither side made any change, except that Civilians shifted Howlett into the centre-forward position in place of Gosano, who took over Howlett's berth at right-half.

This move made a noticeable difference as Ferrier better understood his leader's play and, these two, with Rietsen, formed a very strong attacking unit on the left flank.

## EASTERN WIN 10-2

At Boundary Street yesterday, Eastern trounced Kwong Wah by 10 goals to 2 in their first Division League football encounter, after leading by 5 goals to 1 at the end of the first half.

Eastern scored their goals through Hyui Man-fai (3), Hau Ching-to (2), Kui Wing-fook (3), C. T. Tsao and Cheung Kam-hoi, while Kwong Wah's goals were registered by Cheuk Shek-kam and Chin Chi-tui.

## STANLEY SCORES THREE GOALS

On Thursday, in the Army Hockey League, R.A.S.C. beat R.A.M.C. by four clear goals, scored by L/Cpl. Stanley (3) and Kirby.

For the winners, Gibb, at right-half, played a hard game and spoiled and distributed very well, while Ashman, the pivot, was instrumental in breaking up many dangerous Medical movements. Allen revealed a good turn of speed on the right-wing and sent over many well-timed centres.

## W.C. HUNG'S COMEBACK

W. C. Hung, former Chinese Recreation Club cricket captain and when at his best one of the finest all-rounders in the Colony, will make his first appearance on the cricket field since K.C.C. last won the Junior Cricket League, on Tuesday for K.C.C. against the Volunteers.

Hung has been down to the nets fairly frequently recently and is said to be showing some of his old form with the ball.

He has expressed a desire to play regularly and, if not required for the first team, he should be a big help to the junior attack now that Rupert Baldwin has gone on leave.

### MAN FOR SCOTLAND

Scotland need look no further than Royal Engineers for a half-back who is easily up to international standard—Cpl. Birrell, Sappers' right half-back. A native of Dundee, he played quite a lot of football in his home town, and "Jock" is also a useful three-quarter in the Sappers' Rugby side.

## FOOTBALL PROBLEMS

By "THE JUDGE"

Here are to-day's problems:  
Q. 1. A local correspondent last week published the following:—

"A local correspondent has seen fit to draw attention to a technical omission in a paragraph of mine last week which referred to the charging of a goalkeeper. I said, 'If the goalkeeper has the ball in his possession he can be fairly charged, but without the ball he cannot'. In case any of my readers are under the same delusion as the aforementioned correspondent, I should explain that this refers to the goalkeeper when he is within the goal area."

Being "in possession" referred to carrying the ball and as everyone knows that the custodian may not carry the ball outside the goal area I did not deem it necessary to mention "within the goal area" (The Italics are mine).

Is this correspondent correct?  
Q. 2. On examining the ground before the start of a game the referee notices that it is marked out incorrectly.

What should he do?  
Q. 3. A free-kick from within the goal area is awarded to the defending side. An attacker stands exactly 10 yards away and is able to stop the ball when kicked, and place it in the net.

Is this a goal?  
Q. 4. A defender persistently uses what is known as the "Sliding Tackle" i.e. sliding with both feet outstretched in an endeavour to get the ball.

Is this permitted by the Laws of Game?

Q. 5. The attacking inside-right about one yard off the goal-line screws the ball into the goal-mouth and runs in following up. The ball hits the cross bar and rebounds to the defending back, who is on the penalty spot facing his own goal. In attempting to clear he accidentally kicks the ball to the attacking inside-right. By this time the goalkeeper is the only opponent between the inside-right and the goal.

Is he offside?  
(Answers on Page 15)



## TO-DAY'S RUGBY SEVENS AT VALLEY

To-day's games in the Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament on the Club ground, Happy Valley, are as follows:

- 3.30 p.m.—12th Heavy "B" v Civil Service. Referee—J. S. Riddell.  
3.50 p.m.—Royal Engineers v 5th A.A. "A". Referee—Lt. Pirie.  
4.10 p.m.—5th A.A. "B" v Combined Small Units "A". Referee—Major Curran.  
4.30 p.m.—Police "B" v R. Scots "A". Referee—J. Redman.  
4.50 p.m.—Middlesex "A" v Tamar & Small Ships "B". Referee—E. Mathews.  
5.10 p.m.—8th Heavy "A" v Jardine's. Referee—Lt. Pirie.  
5.30 p.m.—Club "A" v R. Scots "B". Referee—Lt. Comdr. Harrison.

### ANNUAL GAME

Major R. D. Walker, officer-commanding Field Engineers Company of Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, will play his annual game of cricket on Wednesday, when he turns out for the Officers and Sergeants of the Corps against the Other Ranks. It is understood that he will keep wicket.

## MACAO BEAT C.B.A.

The Central British Association hockey team, which visited Macao over the week-end, lost both matches against Macao Hockey Club.

In the first game, C.B.A., who fielded several reserves, were outclassed, the home team being better in all departments. The Hong Kong side, however, were handicapped by the conditions. The ground was bumpy and uneven and the heavy rain had made conditions underfoot very difficult.

Macao led at the interval by the odd goal in three, and increased this lead to 3-1 by full-time. E. Fowler scored C.B.A.'s only goal.

### Another Macao Win

Following this match Macao second eleven played the C.B.A. second eleven and won 5-2 after leading at the interval by 3-1.

The Macao senior team is the probable side that will do service against Hong Kong in the forthcoming Interport.

## FURTHER Q.T. FIXTURES

The following further Quadrangular Hockey Tournament fixtures have been provisionally arranged:

- BRITISH ARMY**  
Tuesday, February 25 v Club at Club ground King's Park at 4.45 p.m.  
Friday, February 28 v Navy at Sookunpoo at 4.30 p.m.  
Friday, March 14 v Indian Army on the Marina at 4.30 p.m.  
Friday, March 21 v Navy at Navy ground King's Park at 4.30 p.m.  
Monday, March 31 v Indian Army at Sookunpoo at 4.30 p.m.  
**INDIAN ARMY**  
Friday, February 21 v Navy at Navy ground King's Park at 4.30 p.m.  
Friday, March 7 v Navy on the Marina at 4.30 p.m.  
Friday, March 14 v British Army on the Marina at 4.30 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 18 v Club on the Marina at 4.45 p.m.  
Monday, March 31 v British Army at Sookunpoo at 4.30 p.m.

### Engineer's Big Win

Only one match was played in the Hockey Association Tournament yesterday, Royal Engineers beating 2/M.T.B.'s, at King's Park, by 14 goals to nil. Engineers led 6-0 at the interval. The only other scheduled match, Police "B" against the University, was postponed.

### C.S.C.C. TENNIS

Following are the latest results in the Civil Service Cricket Club Tennis Tournament:—

- Singles**  
Semi-Final:—I. Agafuroff beat W. J. Skinner, 7-5, 6-2. B. Agafuroff beat J. A. Bendall, 6-4, 6-4.  
Final:—I. Agafuroff beat B. Agafuroff, 2-6, 6-4, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3.  
**Handicap Singles**  
Semi-Final:—L. D. Skinner (plus 4/6) received a walkover from J. A. Bendall (-30/4).

### AID TO R.R.C. JUNIORS

Indian Recreation Club 2nd XI should be considerably strengthened by the inclusion of Naya Barma in their team. Barma, who spent some months in Shanghai, has had a very successful season in the Northern Port, where he played for Shanghai Recreation Club juniors.



# London Counties Start Preparing For Cricket

## Fixtures To Be Arranged Soon

LONDON COUNTIES CRICKET ELEVEN WHO, TOGETHER WITH THE BRITISH EMPIRE TEAM, SAVED CRICKET FROM EXTINCTION LAST SEASON, ARE ALREADY LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SEASON.

The Committee, on which Andy Sandham and Jack Durston are serving, are satisfied with the achievements of last season both on and off the field.

Fixtures will be arranged shortly and the team will continue to operate in the London area, though they may seek more matches in the "safe" areas. It is expected that the players who appeared last summer and are engaged on war work will again be available

that the peace time membership is a bit over 3,000.

Essex cricket enthusiasts will be agreeably surprised to hear that the club made about £160 on last summer's working.—Reuter.

### Sacrifice Necessary

Several county clubs have emphasised the importance of members making a sacrifice by keeping up their subscriptions. Many of the appeals have met with fine response, but Leicestershire were a little disappointed. By rigid economy, however, the balance in hand of the Club is approximately the same as in February last year. The financial statement shows this balance to be £792.

Although no country cricket was played last season, members of Yorkshire County Cricket Club paid £2,040 in subscriptions. The deficit on the year so far amounts to £250. The Committee made grants to grounds where County matches are normally played: £300 each to Sheffield, Leeds and Bradford, £100 to Hull and £50 each to Harrogate, Huddersfield and Scarborough.

### Noble Members

Followers of Kent cricket will be interested to learn that 1,200 members have continued all or part of their subscriptions. "Very noble of them" is the comment of the county secretary "considering

## FOOTBALL ANSWERS

(Questions on Page 14)

A. 1. He is incorrect. The goalkeeper may carry the ball outside the goal area but not outside the penalty area. The correspondent in question may be confusing both areas. In any case, he owes another apology to his readers.

A. 2. He should draw the attention of the home team and endeavour to get the ground marked correctly. If he is unable to do this and both teams agree he should carry on the game and report the matter to the association concerned.

A. 3. No. All free kicks in the penalty area, taken by the defending side, must pass out of the penalty area before the ball comes into play, i.e., before anyone can legitimately play the ball. In this case the free kick should be re-taken, as the attacker, if he is only 10 (ten) yards away, must be within the penalty area.

A. 4. This is a point where the referee is the sole judge. If he considers it dangerous he penalises accordingly. If the defender plays the ball only and does not interfere with his opponent then the play is legitimate, but if he plays the ball and also brings his opponent down the referee uses his discretion and treats the incident as follows:—A free kick for tripping or dangerous play or alternatively allows the play to go on, having decided that the defender made a legitimate attempt to secure the ball and the attacker was not brought down but fell over him.

A. 5. No. The fact that a defender was the last person to play the ball puts him outside.

### C.S.C.C. PRIZES

Civil Service Cricket Club are holding their annual prize-giving on Saturday, February 22, at 6.30 p.m., when Mrs. Valentine, wife of Dr. D. J. Valentine will distribute the awards. There is a possibility that an informal concert will follow the ceremony, which is timed to start at 6.30 p.m.

## POLICE LOSE BOWLERS

Police Recreation Club will be without the services of two members of their lawn bowls League team for the early part of next season.

In the course of the week J. Orem and J. C. S. Fender will be leaving for Australia on long leave.

On the same boat will be R. H. E. Marks, who is leaving on retirement. Marks' bowling activities in recent years have been confined to junior games for Kowloon Cricket Club.

## HAYWARD'S DAYS WITH ARTILLERY

Jack "Coxwain" Hayward, Police cricketer, hockey and lawn bowls player, was an all-round athlete in Royal Artillery before he joined the Force.

He won the Army Area High Jump and Throwing the Discus title. He also has a fine collection of prizes for swimming, one cup in his possession being donated by Donald Burlingham, retired Supt. of Police and now a Director of Norwich City Football Club, for the 50 Yards Hurdles Race at the V.R.C. in 1933.

## CATCHER HURT

Jackie Anderson, Wahooks' crack softball catcher, sustained a sprain to her arm in a game against the Canadian Chinese Girls last Sunday and will probably be out of the game for a couple of weeks.

## MEDICALS LEAD AT SNOOKER

Royal Army Medical Corps have already established a winning lead in the Garrison Snooker League for the Windsor Shield.

On Thursday Medical Corps shared six frames with Pay Corps, but they are still four points ahead of their nearest rivals, Royal Engineers 'A'.

Other games played on Thursday were as follows:—

Signals shared six frames with R.A. Stanley.

Royal Engineers 'A' beat Royal Signals 'A' 5 to 1.

Corps Military Police beat Royal Engineers' Sergeants 4 to 2.

Following is the League table to date:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
R.A.M.C.	4	2	0	2	18
R.E. 'A'	4	1	0	3	14
R.A. Stanley	4	1	0	3	13
R.E. Sergeants	4	1	1	2	13
C.M. Police	4	1	0	3	13
Signals Cpl.	4	1	1	2	11
R.A.P.C.	4	1	2	1	9
Royal Signals 'A'	4	0	4	0	5



# PLAYER'S PLEASE

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# LOVELYLIGHT BEATEN

## Oolong Wins Well Over Six Furlong Distance

### Big Fields Open Race Meeting

**THREATENING WEATHER** was responsible for the small attendance at the opening of the Hong Kong Jockey Club's annual meeting this morning and a much smaller crowd of Chinese lined the fence on the inside of the racecourse than is usual.

Outstanding feature of the morning's events was the downfall of Lovelylight, the Derby favourite, which was beaten by Oolong in the six-furlong Maiden Stakes.

The Moller crack taken out by Mr. F. Noodt was beaten into second place by three lengths after going out a hot favourite.

In the first race of the day, Liberty Bay's 1933 record for 1 1/2 mile was smashed by six and three-fifths seconds by O-Lan which won the Challenge Cup from Eve of Harvest with Burford, last year's Champion, third, and the hot favourite, Confusion Bay, fifth.

Times in the other events were however, on the slow side, due to the fairly heavy track.

#### Highest Dividends

Newborn Star, ridden by D. H. S. Craven, paid the highest dividend of the morning, \$102.60 for third place, while the second highest was also provided by Mr. Craven who brought in Amulet Star to pay \$84.60 for a win in the Sydney Maidens (Second Section).

Riding in this race, Mr. Ho-den, up on A Surprising Time, had his leg crushed at the start and was forced to dismount. After a slight delay he was able to remount and was first away only to be beaten into third place.

National Resistance, going down the straight, ruptured a tendon and Mr. Tao had to pull him up.

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Bucharest radio yesterday warned merchant shipping in the Black Sea that Rumanian territorial waters 15 miles north and south of Constantza have been mined.

It was announced that vessels enter the zone at their own peril unless they receive instructions from the Rumanian Navy. — International News Service.

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No. 1993 \$2006.20  
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" 2180 286.60  
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Nos.: 1231, 1538, 1872, 697, 1377, 1652, 3248, 3569.

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" 4710 260.80  
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**Race 5**  
No. 3433 \$2135  
" 1640 810  
" 1652 305  
Unplaced runners (\$50 each).  
Nos.: 2772, 1688, 4404, 2630, 1030, 1448, 3798, 4713, 780, 4564.

#### \$7.80. BETTING FIGURES

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Black Seal (Chao, 152)	2280	1698
Santa-Anita (Black, 152)	1249	1458
A Surprising Time (Ho den, 152)	873	794
Amulet Star (Craven, 152)	250	319
Bugle (Wei, 149)	47	73
Friday (Tao, 149)	34	55
Lex Fox (Sokoloff, 152)	21	52
Princess Adelaide (Proulx, 152)	20	64
Vigor (Treverton, 152)	13	13
Joan (Sung, 152)	10	26
Tobaccochip (Botelho, 149)	10	36
Luxury (Chan, 152)	9	15
Ophir (Woo, 152)	9	27
Reindeer (Tang, 152)	9	8
Man-wa (152)	6	12
Swallow (Yuen, 152)	6	12
Chateaugay (Ho Hong-ping, 152)	5	12
Senorita (Coppin, 149)	5	14
Crack Shot (Hoo, 146)	4	13
Sports Lady (Wood, 149)	4	5

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Cire's Lovelylight, 152 lb. (F. Noodt) 2  
Marber's Palber, 152 lb. (L. B. Chao) 3

13 Starters. Won by 3 lengths; 4 lengths. Times 27.3; 54.4; 1.23.3. Pari-mutuel: Winner \$24; places, 1st \$5.70; 2nd \$5.30; 3rd \$5.80.

#### BETTING FIGURES

	Win	Place
Lovelylight (Noodt, 152)	2163	1589
Oolong (Needa, 152)	720	684
Palber (Chao, 152)	571	598
Iron Beauty (Wei, 152)	246	334
Lovely View (Pih, 152)	90	115
National Resistance (Tao, 149)	30	52
Wonderful Scheme (Craven, 152)	26	78
Night Express (Ip, 152)	20	35
Odeon (Yuen, 152)	20	13
Sam's Choice (Poy, 152)	20	13

### STOP PRESS

**6—AUSTRAL MAIDEN STAKES.—Six Furlongs.**  
Lan's Distant View, 152 lb. (H. C. Pih) 1  
Lee Bros' Vis Major, 152 lb. (M. M. Sokoloff) 2  
Cire's Starlight, 152 lb. (C. B. Moller) 3

11 Starters. Won by 3 lengths; 5 lengths. Time 25.4; 52; 1.18.2. Pari-mutuel: Winner \$7.80; places, 1st \$5.90; 2nd \$9.80; 3rd \$13.10.

**Race 6**  
No. 1224 \$2062.60  
" 4964 743.60  
" 882 371.80  
Unplaced runners (\$50 each).  
Nos.: 1485, 4169, 343, 3344, 1561, 1822, 4062, 3571.

Look out this evening for the Special Racing Edition of the "China Mail" which will appear on the streets at about 6.30 p.m. with a complete record and description of to-day's racing, together with the cash sweeps.

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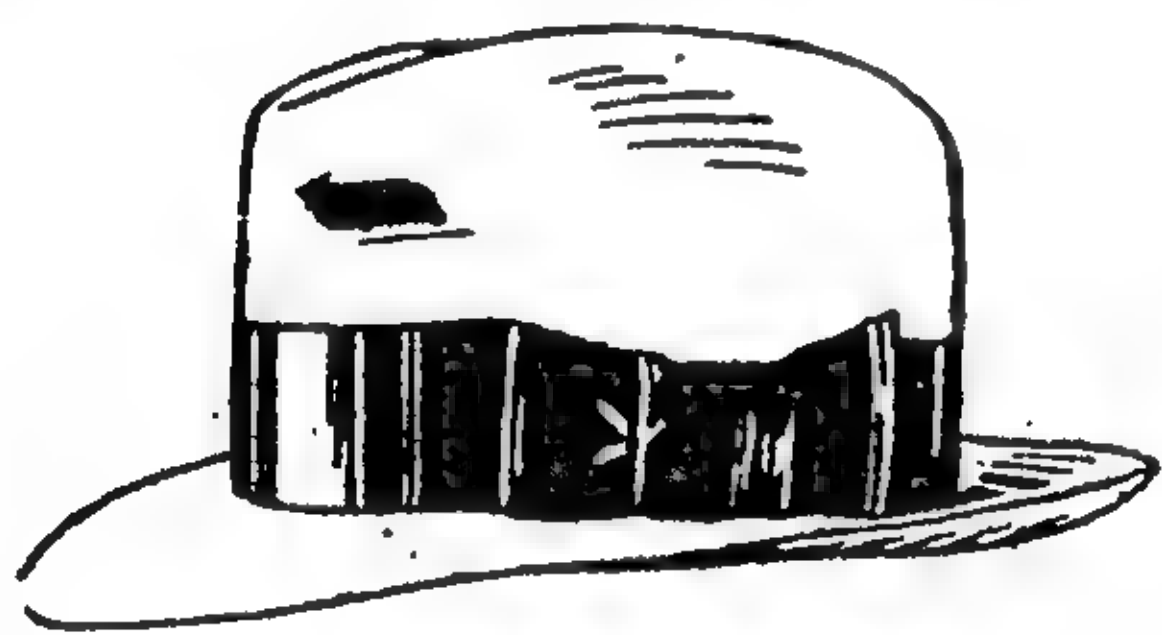
"THERE SHOULD YET BE ENOUGH WISDOM IN TOKYO TO DISOBEY HITLER'S ORDER FOR NATIONAL SUICIDE." — REUTER.

149	Integrity	16	37
National	(Yeung Wing-kwai, 152)	11	10
Forty Six (Ho Hong-ping, 152)	10	17	
Mauher (Hoo, 152)	6	10	

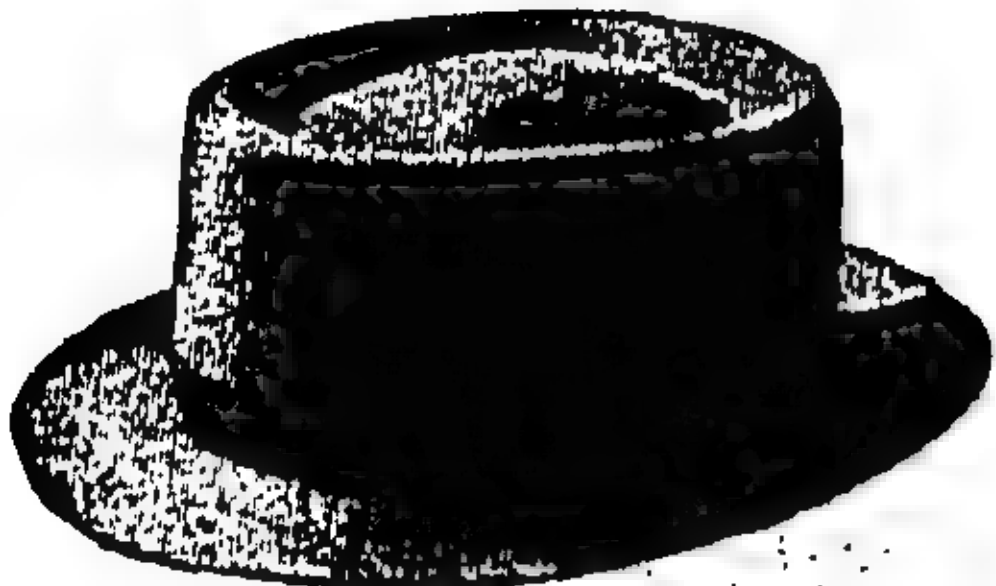


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THE OPENING DAY OF HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB'S ANNUAL RACE MEETING PROVIDED AN UNUSUAL VARIETY OF INCIDENTS, OUTSTANDING AMONG WHICH WAS THE DEFEAT OF LOVELY-LIGHT, THE PRIDE OF THE MOLLER STABLE AND FAVOURITE FOR THE HONG KONG DERBY TO-MORROW.

The clash between Oolong and Lovelylight in the Maidens robbed the Trial Plate of all its significance. Velvetlight won the event in a field of four.

An accident, necessitating the destruction of a pony, marred the early events, Jungle Princess coming down on the Golf Club corner and giving its rider, Mr. D. G. Woo, a severe shaking, while the Austral Trial Plate provided a sensation when Nomine Poenae (Mr. Chao up) threw its rider over the rails when leading the field and with less than a couple of hundred yards to go. The rider, however, was able to walk back to the Jockey's Room, apparently none the worse for his experience, and the pony was unaffected by the incident.

O-Lan caused a big surprise when it clipped 6-2/5 secs. off Liberty Bay's 1933 record when winning the Challenge Cup from Eve of Harvest.

Dividends were on the low side, although Mr. D. H. S. Craven provided returns of \$102.60 (Newborn Star) and \$84.60 (Amulet Star). Cash sweep prizes were not as high as expected, due to the fact there was not a very large attendance, on account of the threatening weather.

H. E. the Governor, Lt.-General E. F. Norton, arrived just before the tiffin interval.

#### Leader Throws Rider

The Austral Trial Plate revealed that Nomine Poenae is in the top flight, only an accident robbing it of victory.

It led the field at the mile gate and with less than 200 yards to go it threw its rider, Mr. Chao, over the rails.

First Love was fortunate to secure its first win, beating Prairie View by 3 lengths, with Marsh Warbler, prominent in the early stages, third and The Nineteenth Hole fourth.

#### Small Crowd At Start

There was only a small crowd when six of the eleven entries faced the starter for the Challenge Cup, won for the last two years by the Cire Stable, and Confusion Bay, ridden by Mr. Pih for the first time, was made hot favourite, with Burford, last year's champion and taken out by Mr. S. W. Tang, second in favour.

Mr. Black, who has ridden both Burford and Confusion Bay, was without a mount for the event.

Burford went out into the lead, followed by Happy Eve, Confusion Bay, Navylight, Eve of Harvest and O-Lan, and at the 1 1/4-mile gate the position was unaltered, six lengths separating the leader and the last pony. Passing the stands for the first time, Mr. Noodt was seen to be holding Navylight well in check on the

rails, much against the pony's inclinations, while Confusion Bay was running on the outside. At the football stands Happy Eve dropped out of the race, and by the time the Rock was reached Burford and Confusion Bay appeared to be drawing away from the field. In the home stretch, however, O-Lan (Mr. Needa) came through with a great burst and won narrowly from Eve of Harvest, which also came up strongly, with Burford third, Navylight fourth and Confusion Bay fifth.

The time of 3:26.1 bettered Liberty Bay's 1933 record by 6-3/5 secs., and the following comparison in times makes interesting reading:

O-LAN LIBERTY		BAY	
1st Qr.	28.4	30.3	
2nd Qr.	58	1.00.4	
3rd Qr.	1.29.2	1.31.1	
4th Qr.	2.01	2.00.3	
5th Qr.	2.29.2	2.31.2	
6th Qr.	2.57.4	3.02	
7th Qr.	3.26.1	3.32.4	

Four ponies were led in after the event, the fourth for purposes of weighing-in in the event of a disqualification. This procedure will be followed in all races.

#### Bored Out Badly

Araxy II was entered by mistake for the first section of the Sydney Maiden Stakes, for which United Express (Mr. Ip Kul-ying) was made hot favourite, a confidence it fully justified after securing the lead from Royal Sovereign at the 1 1/4-mile gate, winning as it liked from Fresh Air, with Newborn Star, a rank outsider, third and Optima Fide fourth.

Royal Sovereign, favourably placed on entering the home stretch, bored out badly and thereupon lost all chance of even placing.

The 15 supporters of Newborn Star for a place were rewarded with \$102.60 each.

#### Mr. Holden's Debut

The Austral Valley Stakes saw

### DERBY SWEEP

The mammoth \$1.00 sweep on the Roosty-Hill Derby, to be run on Wednesday at 4 p.m., has topped the 930,000 mark; and the first prize is likely to be valued at close on \$400,000.00.

Mr. Holden made his debut on the local track and he rode the favourite A Happy Time to a convincing win over Fleetwing after overtaking Coloona just past the Rock. Mountain View, with only 26 place tickets on it, was just nosed out of third place after being prominent throughout. The second section of the Sydney Maidens was delayed when (Continued on Back Page.)

## THE CASH SWEEPS

Following are the winning numbers in the Cash Sweeps:

Race 1		Race 8	
No. 201	\$1932.70	No. 6197	\$2991.10
" 1402	552.20	" 2381	854.60
" 307	276.10	" 5892	427.30
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos.: 4082, 2792, 495.		Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos.: 1357, 1792, 1090, 3655.	
Race 2		Race 9	
No. 1704	\$1661.80	No. 3022	\$2690.80
" 526	474.80	" 3896	768.80
" 3859	237.40	" 2098	384.40
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Race 3		Race 10	
No. 1993	\$2006.20	No. 237	\$3096.10
" 1026	573.20	" 4174	884.60
" 2180	286.60	" 3665	442.20
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos.: 1231, 1638, 1872, 697, 1377, 1052, 3248, 3569.		Unplaced runner (\$50) No.: 1369.	
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## INQUIRY INTO MISHAP

An announcement by the Stewards of the H.K. Jockey Club states:

The Stewards held a preliminary inquiry into the cause of the accident in the 7th race when Jungle Princess fell at the 7-furlong post. The inquiry was adjourned pending further investigation.

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Tools' A Surprising Time, 152 lb. .... 3  
(H. J. Holden)  
19 starters. Won by a neck; short head. Time: 25.1; 51.3; 1.19.4.  
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$84.60; places, 1st \$11.90; 2nd \$6.30; 3rd \$7.80.

**BETTING FIGURES**

	Win	Place
Black Seal (Chao, 152)	2230	1698
Santa-Anita (Black, 152)	1249	1458
A Surprising Time (Holden, 152)	873	794
Amulet Star (Craven, 152)	250	319
Bugle (Wei, 149)	47	73
Friday (Tao, 149)	34	55
Lex Foxi (Sokoloff, 152)	21	52
Princess Adelaide (Proulx, 152)	20	64
Vigor (Trevorton, 152)	13	13
Joan (Sung, 152)	10	26
Tobaccoshop (Botelho, 149)	10	36
Luxury (Chan, 152)	9	15
Ophir (Woo, 152)	9	27
Reindeer (Tang Man-wa, 152)	9	8
Swallow (Yuen, 152)	6	12
Chateauguay (Ho Hong-ping, 152)	5	12
Senorita (Coppin, 149)	5	14
Crack Shot (Hoo, 146)	4	13
Sports Lady (Wood, 149)	4	5

**5—MAIDEN STAKES. — Six Furlongs.**  
T.K.L.'s Oolong, 152 lb. .... 1  
(V. V. Needa)  
Cire's Lovellight, 152 lb. .... 2  
(F. Noodt)  
Marber's Palber, 152 lb. .... 3  
(L. B. Chao)  
13 Starters. Won by 3 lengths; 4 lengths. Times 27.3; 54.4; 1.23.3.  
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$24; places, 1st \$5.70; 2nd \$5.30; 3rd \$5.80.

**BETTING FIGURES**

	Win	Place
Lovellight (Noodt, 152)	2163	1589
Oolong (Needa, 152)	720	684
Palber (Chao, 152)	571	598
Iron Beauty (Wei, 152)	246	334
Lovely View (Pih, 152)	90	115
National Resistance (Tao, 149)	30	52
Wonderful Scheme (Craven, 152)	26	78
Night Express (Ip, 152)	20	35
Odeon (Yuen, 152)	20	13
Sam's Choice (Poy, 149)	16	37
National Integrity (Yeung Wing-kwai, 152)	11	10
Forty Six (Ho Hong-ping, 152)	10	17
Mauher (Hoo, 152)	6	10

**6—AUSTRAL MAIDEN STAKES.—Six Furlongs.**  
Lan's Distant View, 152 lb. .... 1  
(H. C. Pih)  
Lee Bros's Via Major, 152 lb. .... 2  
(M. M. Sokoloff)  
Cire's Starlight, 152 lb. .... 3  
(C. B. Moller)  
11 Starters. Won by 3 lengths; 5 lengths. Time 25.4; 52; 1.18.2.  
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$7.80; places, 1st \$5.90; 2nd \$9.80; 3rd \$13.10.

**BETTING FIGURES**

	Win	Place
Distant View (Pih, 152)	2525	1922
King's Welcome (Needa, 149)	693	713
Via Major (Sokoloff, 152)	385	385
Canberra (Black, 149)	314	375
Gloaming (Poy, 152)	196	213
Starlight (Moller, 152)	184	226
National Reform (Tao, 152)	63	105
Tropical Love (Liang, 152)	40	73
Misty-View (Botelho, 152)	25	51
A Luxurious Time (Fung, 152)	24	35
Ozark (Yuen, 149)	10	16

**7—CORAL HANDICAP.—One Mile.**  
Mrs. A. E. Grasett's Sapper, 159 lb. .... 1  
(W. H. S. Davis)  
Lan's Far View, 158 lb. .... 2  
(H. C. Pih)  
Vilaja's Viceroy, 152 lb. .... 3  
(D. Black)  
9 Starters. Won by 5 lengths; 2 1/2 lengths. Time: 26.1; 52.1; 1.19.1; 1.46.2.  
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$8.10; places, 1st \$5.50; 2nd \$6.20; 3rd \$6.00.

**BETTING FIGURES**

	Win	Place
Sapper (Davis, 159)	2508	1822
Fair View (Pih, 158)	1036	727
Viceroy (Black, 152)	475	574
Baffin Bay (Needa, 150)	283	308
Lancashire Chips (Chao, 148)	175	470
Brown Derby (Trevorton, 135)	70	112
Australian Diamond (Chang, 144)	26	55
Chiltern (Yuen, 135)	22	23
Jungle Princess (Woo, 149)	19	34

**8—AUSTRAL TRIAL PLATE.—1 1/4 Miles.**  
P. & L.'s First Love, 152 lb. .... 1  
(S. C. Liang)  
Quartermaster's Prairie View, 152 lb. .... 2  
(H. C. Pih)  
Pearlstar's Marsh Warbler, 152 lb. .... 3  
(D. Black)  
7 Starters. Won by 3 lengths; short head. Time: 28; 55.2; 1.22.2; 1.50.3; 2.19.4.  
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$32.60; places, 1st \$7.10; 2nd \$8.60; 3rd \$5.70.

**BETTING FIGURES**

	Win	Place
Marsh Warbler (Black, 152)	3346	2591
Nomine Poenoe (Chao, 152)	935	853
First Love (Liang, 152)	826	799
The Nineteenth Hole (Hearne, 152)	410	433
Prairie View (Pih, 152)	327	477
Gay Fox (Davis, 152)	136	215
Vanguard (Wei, 152)	126	191

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## CHALLENGE CUP WINNERS

Following have won the Challenge Cup during the past 10 years:

- 1931—Mrs. Dunbar's Sitting Bull (Hill) in 3.49.2.
- 1932—Mrs. Dunbar's Sitting Bull (Hill) in 3.39.2 (record).
- 1933—Mr. L. Dunbar's Liberty Bay (Frost) in 3.32.4 (record).
- 1934—Mr. L. Dunbar's Liberty Bay (Frost) in 4.03.0.
- 1935—Mr. L. Dunbar's Diana Bay (Frost) and Mr. Dynasty's King's Warden (Marshall) dead-heated in 3.40.2.
- 1936—Mr. L. Dunbar's Liberty Bay (Frost) in 3.44.1.
- 1937—Mr. Dynasty's King's Warden (Marshall) in 3.42.0.
- 1938—Mr. Dynasty's King's Warden (Needa) in 3.36.1.
- 1939—Mr. Cire's Silkyllight (Pote-Hunt) in 3.40.3.
- 1940—Mr. Cire's Navyllight (Moller) in 3.41.3.



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# Well-Known Owner-Rider Visits H.K.

Mr. George Pollock, the well-known Shanghai owner-rider, arrived in Hong Kong on Friday on a President liner, which also had amongst its passengers Mr. Eric Moller, owner of the Cire stable, specially to attend the Annual Race Meeting.

Mr. Pollock, although nearing the veteran stage, still takes a very active part in racing, and it is indeed a pity that he has decided not to ride during our Race Week.

Speaking about the Shanghai jockeys who are down here to look after the interests of the different stables, Mr. Pollock made particular mention of Chris Moller and Hubert Holden, whom he described as two very promising boys who have already reached the first-class stage.

Mr. Pollock said that Moller is an excellent all-round sportsman, playing squash, tennis and golf, in addition to doing a great deal

of shooting when he is not riding. Moller, he said, is a very good steeplechaser and he feels sure the Cire string of ponies will be well looked after by him.

Mr. Pollock was very reticent about his own performances on the track, but said that last November, on his own pony Mischieff, he had a win and three places in four starts.

He concluded the interview by saying that he had not had much time to study the ponies entered for the Meeting, but added that he felt Endeavour should win everytime it was sent out, while he thought Lovelylight was the best in the Cire stable this year.

## MR. MOLLER RETICENT

Mr. Eric Moller Sr., owner of the Hong Kong Derby favourite, Lovelylight, refused to be drawn into any discussion regarding his stable and racing in general.

## F. NOODT SEEKING FIRST CLASSIC WIN

"THIS IS MY THIRD VISIT TO HONG KONG, AND I AM VERY GLAD TO BE DOWN HERE AGAIN AS IT GIVES ME THE CHANCE TO LOOK UP THE MANY FRIENDS I MADE HERE ON MY PREVIOUS VISITS," SAID FRANCIS NOODT, THE SHANGHAI JOCKEY WHO TOGETHER WITH MR. CHRIS MOLLER IS LOOKING AFTER THE INTERESTS OF THE CIRE STABLE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING.

Born and educated in Shanghai, Noodt first took up riding when he was 18 years old, but he did not go about it seriously until some two years later when, incidentally, he recorded his first win.

After that initial success wins came his way fairly regularly and, described as a jockey with a fine sense of judgment and a clever pair of hands, he soon worked his way up to the "top flight" in the North.

### Trial Plate Success

Coming down to Hong Kong for the first time in 1930 to ride for Messrs. Mackie and Hynes' stable, Noodt won the Trial Plate on Peppermint, but that, however, was his only win of note at the Annual Meeting.

Two years later he again took part at our Racing Carnival and again won the Trial Plate, the successful owner this time being Mr. A. M. L. Soares and the pony Flying Tourist. As was the case during his first visit, the Trial Plate was the only major event Noodt annexed, though he had several other winning mounts.

In an interview just before he went out for the final gallops on Friday morning, Noodt said that he was not sure which pony he would be taking out in the Derby, but that he "would be there giving of his best anyway."

He has never won either the Derby or Champions.

1937—Saucy Face (Pih) in 1.46.1.  
1938—Katinka (Ralph) in 1.46.2.  
1939—Blandford (Poy) in 1.46.3.  
1940—Lancashire Chips (Wei) in 1.17.2.  
\* Over six furlongs.

# MR. H. J. HOLDEN ENJOYS RACING ON ANY KIND OF PONY

"I scored my first win in Tientsin in 1932, on a pony called Kookaburra, which had been lame for about a year—I suppose that was why it was given to me—" said Mr. H. J. Holden, the Tientsin-Shanghai jockey who will be riding A Happy Time for Mr. Li Po-chun in the Austral Derby.

This is Mr. Holden's first visit to the Colony, and though he likes Hong Kong and all that he has seen since his arrival here a week ago, he finds the "corners" a little too sharp at the Race Course. That, he explained, was probably because he was used to riding on a much bigger track in the North.

Born in Kent in 1914, Holden came to China when he was only six years of age, and it was in Tientsin that he learned to ride. His first mount was provided by Mr. Jack Burton, whom he described as the Grand Old Man of racing in Tientsin.

### No Classic Win

Although he has had a good many wins to his credit, Mr. Holden has yet to win his first Derby or Champions, but he has had the honour of winning the two-mile event, the longest race in Tientsin, for three years in succession.

The first two of these three wins were scored on a pony called Waverton, while his winning mount for the "hat-trick" was Lucky Lad.

Owing to the political situation in Tientsin there has not been much racing there for some time, Mr. Holden adding that the present-day race meetings there are a farce as only owners are allowed to attend and the stakes money ranges from \$150 to \$175 for a win!

### Amusing Tale

In connection with his early riding days, Mr. Holden tells an amusing story. Just before he set out for a race the owner told him to take the lead and hold it till the half-mile post, and then to give the pony two kicks.

### CORAL HANDICAP

The Coral Handicap, which was introduced last year, was won by Mr. L. Dunbar's Baffin Bay, with Mr. Hearne up. The time returned was 2.16.3, the distance being over 1 1/4 miles. This year's race is over only one mile.

## DAY PONIES NOT FANCIED

Dr. S. N. Chau, owner of Derby Day, Ascot Day and Triumphant Day, has two new Australian ponies for this year in Anzac Day and Newmarket Day, but he has been so busy during the past few months that he has not had the chance to follow the training of his ponies as closely as he would liked to have done.

"I must say my prospects are far from bright," said Dr. Chau. "As a matter of fact, I do not fancy any of my own ponies."

"Well," said Mr. Holden, "I managed to get the lead all right and, riding to owner's instructions, I duly gave the pony two kicks. Unfortunately for me, however, I kicked the stirrups off!"

"I finished the race all right and was second," Mr. Holden went on, "but after the pony had passed the winning post it travelled twice as fast so I jumped off!"

That, he said, was his most exciting experience on the track, although he has been thrown a few times, including once on the rails, when his pony jumped over him and the rails at the same time!

### Best in Shanghai?

Leaving Tientsin for Shanghai in June last year, Mr. Holden took up riding for Mr. Arnold, whose string of ponies includes an Australian pony named Star Turn. Ridden by Mr. Holden, this pony has won four races in six starts and he reckons it is as good as, if not better than, any of the Australians he has seen on the local track.

When asked whether he preferred the Australian ponies to the cross-breeds, Mr. Holden replied that he liked them all, and enjoyed a race on an Australian as much as he did one on a China pony.

# TO-DAY'S RESULTS

(Continued from Page 2.)

9—SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES. (Third Section). Six Furlongs. Young Pros' National Welfare, 152 lb. (B. L. Tai) 1 Lee Chi Choh's Happy Returns, 149 lb. (P. Y. T. Wei) 2

S. S. S. Vitamin M., 152 lb. (D. Black) 3  
17 starters. Won by a head, a head. Time, 25.51.4. 1.19.4.  
Parimutuel: Winner \$51.90, places, 1st \$11.00; 2nd \$24.00, 3rd \$6.30.

### BETTING FIGURES

	Win	Place
Vitamin M. (Black, 152)	2446	2280
Happy Returns (Wei, 149)	1027	1057
National Welfare (Tai, 152)	437	473
Young Pros' National Welfare (Tai, 152)	324	361
Dutch Treat (Borah, 152)	239	274
Ladies' Day (Davis, 149)	184	215
Gold Red (Liang, 153)	14	73
Happy Returns (Wei, 149)	100	116
Bona Vacantia (Sokoloff, 152)	79	94
Battle (Chang, 152)	47	73
A Just Time (Fung, 150)	27	44
Trade Wind (Tang, 149)	26	16
Corvette (Trevorton, 152)	25	31
Archibor (Chao, 152)	24	44
Leading Star (Fung, 152)	14	25
May (Chiu, 152)	9	13
Tenth of November (Hoo Pak-ming, 152)	5	16

10—TRIAL PLATE.—1 1/4 Miles. Cire's Velvetlight, 152 lb. (C. B. Moller) 1 Marber's Eve of Deception, 156 lb. (A. D. Coppin) 2 Manetta's Raconteur, 152 lb. (P. Y. T. Wei) 3

4 starters. Won by 3 lengths, many lengths. Time: 33; 1.05; 1.37.3; 2.10.1; 2.41.  
Parimutuel: Winner \$9.00; places, 1st \$7.00; 2nd \$22.00, 3rd \$12.90.

### BETTING FIGURES

	Win	Place
Velvetlight (Moller, 152)	1481	568
World Fair View (Pih 152)	1224	519
Raconteur (Wei 152)	216	74
Eve of Deception (Coppin 156)	102	66

11—BENDIGO HANDICAP.—About One Mile 171 Yards. Weetoo's Fair Chance, 146 lb. (P. Y. T. Wei) 1 Billy's Springhurst, 148 lb. (W. G. Poy) 2 G. Tinson's Vixen Tor, 143 lb. (F. Noodt) 3

19 Starters. Won by 1 1/2 lengths; short head. Time: 10.2; 36.1; 1.03.3; 1.31.1; 1.59.1.  
Parimutuel: winner \$17.90; places, 1st \$9.40; 2nd \$12.00; 3rd \$12.90.

### BETTING FIGURES

	Win	Place
Fair Chance (Wei, 140)	1538	941
Many Thanks (Chao, 159)	1299	832
Vixen Tor (Noodt, 143)	548	519

	Poy	528	386
Springhurst (Poy 146)	528	386	
Rowan (Hearne 159)	494	524	
Triumphant Day (Tao 148)	402	303	
Murumbidgee (Black, 145)	393	359	
Tornado Star (Craven 154)	230	157	
Contact (Davis, 158)	210	159	
Busylight (Moller, 150)	123	139	
Piccadilly Jim (Lee 154)	121	200	
Income Tax (Chang, 142)	93	89	
Franklin (Needa, 149)	80	47	
Devonman (Sokoloff, 152)	70	70	
Brutus (Trevorton, 138)	58	63	
A Roaring Time (Fung, 146)	22	35	
Flying Dutchman (Yuen, 139)	10	27	
Riviera (K. 1. Ip 159)	10	8	
Melody Star (Tang, 152)	7	13	

## BENDIGO HANDICAP WINNERS

This event was introduced in 1936 and the following is a list of winners since that date:  
1936 Vixen Tor (Proulx) in 1.53.2.

# MEXICO HUNT FOR PRO-NAZI PLOTTERS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE MEXICAN Ministry of Interior revealed yesterday that it is probing a secret pro-Nazi group with 150,000 members which, it alleged, is preparing to foment trouble in Mexico in the event of the United States actively enrolling in the war.

Deserters are reported to have revealed that 250 Gestapo agents are in Mexico recruiting an underground "League of National Socialist Partisans" allied to the Spanish Falangists, many of whom are in Mexico awaiting General Franco's command to act.

It is claimed that armed raids from Guatemala across the southern border of Mexico were planned.

Deserters further say that Nazi activities in Mexico would be timed to coincide with uprisings and sabotage in Brazil, Uruguay and other Latin American countries. In Mexico, strikes, riots and demonstrations were planned.

### Incident Planned

It is claimed a diplomatic incident was planned to discredit President Roosevelt's good neighbour policy and engender Latin-American ill-will towards the United States.

It is also claimed that the Nazis intended to attempt to seize the Government in Guatemala.—International News Service.



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# Billy Hill In H.K. In Role Of Spectator

One of the most interesting visitors from the North for the Annual Racing Carnival is Mr. W. ("Billy") Hill, veteran jockey whose name is still as well-known to followers of the Turf in China as that of Gordon Richards at Home.

In an interview at the Race Course on Friday morning, when, in spite of the heavy drizzle, Hill went out to the rails to watch the gallops, this ex-champion said that he was very much impressed by some of the ponies he had seen since his arrival in Hong Kong last Wednesday.

It was in 1933 that he paid his last visit to Hong Kong, and he has retired from active participation in races for six years, but he has kept up his interest in the Sport of Kings in the role of a keen follower.

In his opinion young Hubert Holden, who is riding for the Li Po-chun stable at the Annual Meeting, is one of the most promising jockeys in Shanghai today.

## Course Improvements

Speaking about the Course at the Valley, Hill said that it has been improved beyond recogni-

tion, and added that, while some jockeys from Shanghai might not like the local track, he always had a soft spot for it and recalled having won seven Derbies and as many Champions here.

His first Derby success here was in 1919, when he rode Mountain King for the late Mr. George Potts, and the following two years also saw him win the Blue Riband for the same owner, on Allied King and Invincible King. A Derby win then evaded him until 1924, when he won again on Messrs. Morriss and Marshall's Courtfield, and Mr. L. Dunbar's Diana Bay (1930) and Liberty Bay (1932) provided him with his two other successes in this event.

Mr. Hill's best performance on the local track, however, was a row of five successive wins in the Champion Stakes, from 1929 to 1933 inclusive, the successful owner in every case being the Dunbar stable. Mr. Hill scored his wins on Sitting Bull, Diana Bay (3) and Liberty Bay.

## Seven Champions Wins

Previous to this Mr. Hill had won the Champions on Allied King and Mighty King, both of which ponies were owned by the late Mr. George Potts, making seven Champions successes in all!

The best pony he ever took out at the Valley was Liberty Bay which, contrary to general belief, was not a "puller." Sitting Bull, according to Mr. Hill, was another classy animal.

Asked how long he had been riding before he decided to retire in 1934, Mr. Hill replied that he scored his first win as far back as 1897!

He recalled the Annual Meeting of 1920, when he rode 16 winners in four days, and that is indeed a record to be proud of when it is remembered that in those days opposition was provided by men like Johnson, Burkill, Stewart and Vida, all giants of the Turf.

Mr. Hill was leading jockey in Shanghai from 1919 to 1924 inclusive.

During that time Mr. Hill said he rode "30 per cent winners each year" and added that he was prouder of that than the fact that he had topped the jockey list.

# OWNER ON LAN STABLE PROSPECTS

"It is very difficult for me to make any statement about the form of my new ponies until after I have seen them race," said Mr. Li Lan-sang, popular owner of the Lan stable, in the course of an interview regarding the prospects of his stable at the Annual Meeting.

"I have five new griffins, Distant View, Prairie View, Graceful View, Misty View and Mountain View," Mr. Li continued, "and, as far as public opinion is concerned, the two first named are about the pick of the bunch."

Mr. Li went on to say that he liked Distant View, a six-year-old animal, best, while Prairie View also promised great things, but the other three, he said, were just "so so." Graceful View being only four years old and, as is only natural, nothing very much may be expected of it.

This popular Chinese owner said that he had one China pony griffin in World Fair View, but as this animal came down here very late in the training season he had not been able to get it quite into first class shape, though he is starting it in the Trial Plate today to see what it can do.

Mr. Li continued that his subscription griffins were nothing to speak of, but in this connection he mentioned that Starlight View may improve with time.

# EU TONG-SEN HOPES NOT TOO BRIGHT

Mr. Eu Tong-sen, who has figured prominently amongst the owners here for some years, is somewhat pessimistic about the chances of his stable this year.

In an interview Mr. Eu said, in answer to a question regarding the prospects of his stable annexing any of the major events:

"It is very hard to say, especially with this wet weather. My ponies are not very good this year. I paid a large price for Gloaming, but I think Gay Fox has turned out to be the better of the two. My other pony is, as you know, Fleetwing."

Mr. Eu went on to say that he very seldom watched his ponies in training, being content to leave this in the hands of Mr. Billy Poy, who rides for his stable.

# TRIAL PLATE WINNERS

Following have won the Trial Plate during the past 10 years:—  
1931—Mr. Spey's Spey (Clark) in 2.39.3.  
1932—Mr. A. M. L. Soares' Flying Tourist (Noodt) in 2.37.4.  
1933—Mrs. Pearce's Trentbridge (Needa) in 2.39.2.  
1934—Mr. Plane's Hydroplane (Proulx) in 2.39.0.  
1935—Mr. Dynasty's King's Jubilee, late Baron Bay (Marshall) in 2.37.4.  
1936—Mr. Eve's Honeymoon Eve (Needa) in 2.44.2.  
1937—Mr. Eve's Havoc Eve (D. S. Li) in 2.34.4.  
1938—Mr. Dunbar's Confusion Bay (Maitland) and Mr. Lan's Moonlight View (Needa) dead-heated in 2.34.0.  
1939—Mr. Clee's Navylight (P.H.) in 2.26.1.  
1940—Mr. Clee's Satinlight (Moller) in 2.24.1.

# 55-YEAR-OLD CAPT. SOKOLOFF ON FOURTH VISIT

"It is more interesting riding an Australian pony. One gets more fun out of it, and it reminds me of the days when I raced in Russia, on thoroughbreds," said Capt. M. M. Sokoloff, the well-known Shanghai jockey who is riding for Mr. S. W. Lee, in an interview in the course of which he revealed many interesting incidents in a racing career which dates back to 1906.

Looking extremely fit and well despite his 55 years, Capt. Sokoloff said that he first took to racing when he was a young cavalry officer in the old Imperial Army in Russia and recalls winning a steeplechase over a distance of 2½ miles, in 1913.

In 1921 Capt. Sokoloff arrived in Shanghai and joined the Shanghai Race Club and the International Recreation Club. Since then he has taken part in race meetings in all parts of China including Hankow, Tientsin, Tsingtao and Hong Kong.

It was not until almost a year after his arrival in Shanghai that Capt. Sokoloff scored his first victory but he had the satisfaction of riding his own pony on that occasion, his mount being Ataman, which gave him many a win thereafter.

## Derby Success

His first major success in Shanghai was in 1932, when he won the Shanghai Derby on Crimson Morn, while in the following year he brought off the rare feat of winning the Champions at both the Kiangwan and Chinese Jockey Club meetings. Welcome Morn provided him with his win at Kiangwan and Sleepy Morn won at the C.J.C. meeting.

Sleepy Morn also gave him his first St. Leger win, in Shanghai, in 1932.

Capt. Sokoloff has won so many major events that it would be impossible to give a complete list of them, but he is very proud of having had the honour of carrying off the Gold Vase at the Chinese Jockey Club meeting, in 1933, on Welcome Morn.

It was at this stage that Capt. Sokoloff started to compare Australian and China ponies and, after stating that it was more fun riding an Australian pony, he went on to say that it was "a different kind of riding altogether. More skill is required and more control is needed, so that experience plays a big part in a race of this kind."

He is quite impressed with this year's Australian ponies, though he confesses he has only been able to get a casual glance at them, being much too busy with the string of ponies he will take out during Race Week.

Capt. Sokoloff is by no means

# MARBER STABLE STILL UNLUCKY?

Mr. B. W. Bradbury, owner of the Marber stable, when discussing his new string of ponies, said that his chances of annexing any of the major events at the Annual Race Meeting were very slender.

"I am afraid my ponies are not very good this year," he added.

a stranger to racing in Hong Kong, having taken part in three Annual Race Meetings. He first came here in 1926 to ride for Mr. R. E. Toeg, when he scored many wins and was second, on Pretty Polly, in the Hong Kong Derby.

The following year found Capt. Sokoloff here again, riding once more for Mr. Toeg and, as was the case the year before, he also came near to winning the Blue Riband of the local Turf, being second on Canadian.

## Rides For Mr. Dunbar

After that, however, Capt. Sokoloff missed our meetings until 1931, when he came as second string jockey for the Dunbar stable. Mr. Billy Hill was first string jockey, but Capt. Sokoloff managed to record several wins for all that.

Capt. Sokoloff has a son, George, who, despite being only 17, has already secured a first and a third in three starts, the win being scored in no less important an event than the Jockey Cup.

Michael Sokoloff Jr. also shows every promise of following in his father's footsteps. Only 16 years old, this youngster has already taken a great interest in racing, and it is his father's intention to get him started in competitive racing next year. He should also do well.

Captain Sokoloff sees an extraordinary change at the Valley since he was here last, in 1931. The track is in much better condition than it was then, and "the display of potted plants gives the whole place such a pleasant aspect it really reminds me of the Russia as I knew it many many years ago."

# WON FIRST EVENT 42 YEARS AGO

MR. ERIC MOLLER, SR., WHOSE SATINLIGHT, WITH MR. R. B. MOLLER UP, WON THE HONG KONG DERBY LAST YEAR, IS DOWN HERE AGAIN FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING AND ONCE MORE HAS AN EXCELLENT PROSPECT, IN LOVELYLIGHT, OF WINNING THE BLUE RIBAND OF THE LOCAL TURF.

It will be interesting to recall that at the Annual Meeting of 1899, Mr. Moller, riding for Capt. Lambton, won the opening race on the First Day of the Annual Carnival on a pony called Ute, the time taken over the half-mile being 1.03.4.

That was 42 years ago and as recently as last year Mr. Moller secured a place when he took part in a Race Meeting in Shanghai!



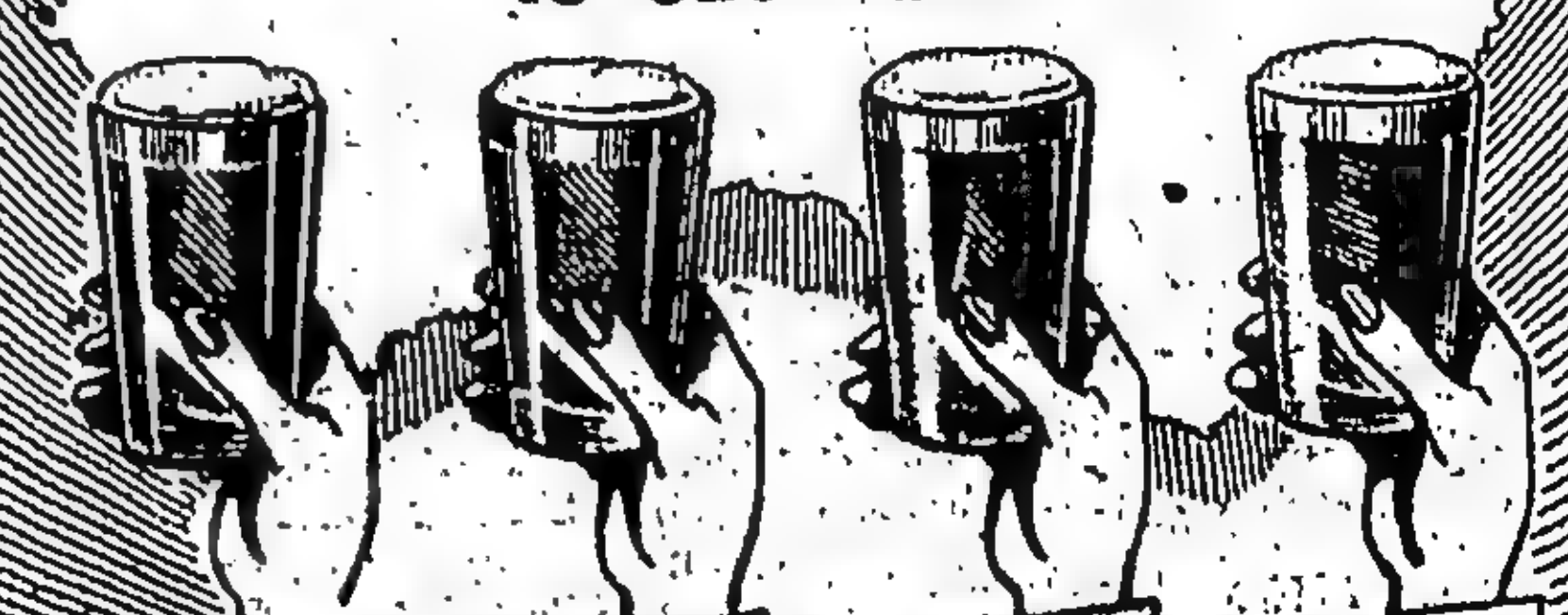
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## THE "NEW (DIS)ORDER"

Denmark and Norway were the first of the nations to be overrun by the Nazi mechanised harbingers of Europe's "new order." Denmark has necessarily accepted what for it is the inevitable. But Norway, with a little more geography on its side, is proving less susceptible to the Nazi threat.

The news now beginning to find its way out of Norway in considerable quantities indicates that unrest has been increasing there for some time. It indicates that similar turmoil characterises the rule of the Nazis over other occupied nations, even though opposition has not yet become so overt or violent as to be observed in neighbouring States with a press still free to report it to the world.

But in Norway, one Nazi writer finds himself reduced to asserting defensively that even Norwegian Nazis "should have a right to exist!" In Western Norway, particularly, a pro-British attitude is marked. And attempts of the Quisling "government" to oust local officials in favour of Nazis appear to be without effect, since the people are reported as ignoring the orders of the central authority.

As long ago as November an acute situation arose between the "government" and the Supreme Court, and in December this culminated in the resignation of the Court. Current reports show the Norwegian Nazis as unable to police the country and say they are compelled to call for German help.

Frequent reports of physical attacks by Norwegians on German police paint a picture that looks like anything but a diagram of order, new or old. The press, no less than many of the people, seems to be maintaining a sullen independence of posed authority; for the Norwegian Nazis complain that they cannot get the proper support from the newspapers. Indeed, reports from Sweden say newspapers have had to be suppressed repeatedly for attacking the Quisling outfit.

The German Nazis in Norway evidently are learning that it takes more than might to establish order, more than ter-

Sir Arnold Wilson was a strange man. Broadly speaking, he knew all and all knew him. Deeply speaking he knew none and none knew him. He was the son of Canon Wilson who left him a keen love of the classics and a conscience that would not leave him alone.

He was also blessed with that amazing attribute, an unfailing memory. It worried and fretted and badgered his mind. He fed it on whole acts of Shakespeare's plays which he would reel out a year after, never mistaking or misplacing a word, fluently, smoothly and monotonously.

He began life as a regular soldier. He was always conscientious, meticulous, prompt to perform his duty. At Sandhurst he won the King's Medal and the Sword of Honour as the best all-rounder among the gentlemen Cadets of his year. From his brother officers he stood out for the many-sidedness of his interests, his seriousness, his capacity for hard work.

In 1903 he went out to serve in India. He passed from the Army to the Political Service. He was stationed in Persia, acted as British Consul in city after city, pitted his wits against the agents of Tsarist Russia.

He was often alone. He read many books and he stored the knowledge in his mind. While his memory was occupied and his conscience was satisfied Arnold Wilson was happy.

War came to Asia from the West. Wilson went out with the Indian Expeditionary Force to Iraq. The campaign left him with many memories; memories of

fierce endurance and bitter suffering, steamers chugging up the Tigris under the burning sun; of flights high over ruined cities. He went to the war a soldier and a Civil Servant. He came out also an airman.

He went back to his own job when the war was over. He rose high in the Service. They made him Civil Commissioner and Political Resident on the Persian Gulf. He was a rigid administrator and a just one. If he showed little pity for the failings of those he governed it was because he had none for his own. His service completed, Arnold Wilson returned to England. He

By  
A. Beverley Baxter

married and had children. He wrote on many subjects and edited a national review. He was knighted and elected to Parliament. But that relentless conscience still would not let him alone. There was, for example, his duty to help hospitals.

But he could not give them money. So he gave them his blood instead for transfusion. His life had been hard and healthy and vigorous. His blood was rich in certain properties that were in constant demand. Many calls came to him. He answered them all.

At the by-election which returned him to Parliament his Labour opponent was badly hurt in an accident and lay weak from loss of blood. Wilson furnished his own blood at once to remedy the loss. There was a good deal

of comment among people to whom cynicism comes easier than sacrifice. They called it self-advertisement and a cheap vote-catching trick. Nobody who knew the man could have talked that way, for very few people did know him.

When the Europe of between-the-wars, that Europe that spoke so nobly and acted so shabbily, cast up Hitler out of the agony of its suffering, Arnold Wilson went to Germany to study the new movement. He was impressed. He was more than impressed. He was genuinely moved. The apparent self-sacrifice and devotion of Nazism stirred his being. He liked the ruthless efficiency with which it moved to attain its aims. And the dark side of it escaped him... he never saw the wretched thinkers shut away behind the wires or the party bosses swilling champagne on the subscriptions of men and women who went short of bread to pay them.

Back to England he came as an advocate, as the advocate of friendship between Democratic England and Nazi Germany.

It was not his habit to restrain his convictions or to tone his views down. He said and he wrote what he thought, quite indifferent to abuse and serenely impervious to awkward points that were raised against him.

He believed in his case and he argued it until Germany gave her answer. That was in September, 1939.

Arnold Wilson was stunned. It was as if Hitler's blow against civilisation had struck him across the eyes. By chance we met and he poured out his soul to me.

"Because of the wrong done by men like myself," he said, "tens of thousands of young men will die. It is terrible. I believed in Hitler and his creed when I should have been denouncing. I must atone. Somehow I must atone."

He went to the War Office and they offered him an important staff job. He refused and went to the Air Ministry. They said they could use him in the Intelligence. "I must fight," was his answer. He went to the recruiting office of the Royal Air Force and demanded to be examined for his physical fitness. Although 55 years of age he passed every test because one of his axioms was to keep himself absolutely fit.

So he went into action. With the lowest commissioned rank in the Air Force he served as a gunner cooped in a turret intended for the slim bodies of young men. Over the land, over the mountains and over the sea he flew. He fought in the skies over Norway during that disaster. Flying over Germany on those keen spring nights he confronted cold, uncertainty, fatigue, danger. He was as brave as any man and as uncomplaining. But the odds were heavy and the war was going badly.

An anxious House of Commons gathered to hear the Prime Minister. It was one of those debates that historians, dramatists and film producers will be reconstructing till the end of time. It was the debate that brought Chamberlain down. Arnold Wilson rose to speak. He wore his Air Force blue. There were many ribbons on his chest. There he stood earnestly pleading for more restraint, more dignity, while member after member rose to assail the tottering Chamberlain, Government.

I saw him and I was astonished at the change. The great frame was almost gaunt, the cheeks sunken, there were warning shadows under his eyes.

And because I loved the man, I went up afterwards and pleaded with him. I took him to my house. I reasoned, argued, tried to persuade. Whatever the atonement he thought necessary he had surely made it now. "It may be," he said. "It may be I have made my atonement. But now something else has happened. It's those boys in my Squadron. They've come to look to me in rather a fine way... I couldn't let them down. You see, when I joined the R.A.F., I took a vow. I swore to serve as a gunner for one year. And as a gunner I must see that year out."

He went away into the black-out and I was left there wondering.

Now it happened that two weeks later I was appointed to an important post in the Ministry of Aircraft Production. I needed a man who was experienced and eloquent. A man with forcefulness and strong personality and I thought and thought of Arnold Wilson.

Two things were in my mind. One was that we really needed him. The other was that we must save him from death.

Once more the House of Commons was meeting, meeting in the shadow of mighty happenings and I was certain Arnold Wilson would be there. The Nazi flood was rolling westward. Holland was engulfed. The Belgians had gone under and France was drowning. All those things for which the West had stood were threatened as they had not been threatened since the Goths rattled at the gates of Imperial Rome. The British Army fought its way stubbornly back to Dunkirk. Only our amazing Air Force, sustaining a combat hopelessly unequal up above the narrow seas, was there to preserve the freedom of men's souls, the liberty of their consciences into ages beyond the computing of men.

So Europe's last free Parliament assembled to hear the new Prime Minister Mr. Winston Churchill. But he was not there. Perhaps after all he had not been able to get leave.

The day wore on towards late evening. I could not sit still listening to the sequence of the back bench speeches. Outside in Parliament Square I bought an evening paper. There was his picture. He looked at me from the front page. A few lines underneath explained that Sir Arnold Wilson, M.P., was missing. His was one of the 'planes over Germany that failed to return.

Arnold Wilson had atoned, and his conscience was at peace.

# Mechanisation Found Key To British Desert Coup

One of the marvels connected with Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell's rapid advance across the desert, through sand storms and cold nights, was the smooth working of the maintenance system that made sustained high speed possible.

Tanks, in particular, demand a high standard of efficiency in this respect. In Britain's armoured divisions, each brigade has its "light recovery" section, its light repair section, and an ordnance field park section, which carries in packets all light material required for use by the regimental light-aid detachments.

Behind all this is the divisional workshop which takes on all the heavy repair work.

This is not the spectacular side of modern mechanised warfare. But neither is gasoline delivery, except perhaps when done the way the Germans sometimes did it in France—by having 'planes bring up gasoline, making a crash landing with it if necessary.

## Vital To Success

These prosaic matters are vital to success, however, and in Britain's sudden desert thrust the organisation of them was as smooth moving as the tanks and armoured cars and trucks themselves.

It was precisely the non-arrival of mechanical transports from Italy, that, according to Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, was responsible for the fact that he had not already attacked the British by the time they attacked him.

Working in close collaboration with the motor battalions, the heavy tanks, the cruiser tanks and other units is another innovation—an elusive machine known colloquially as "the dingo," an Australian term for wild dog.

This little scout car has heavy armouring, bullet-proof tires, a very powerful engine, and a happy capability for running forward or backward at speeds up to 60 miles an hour without turning around.

This unique characteristic enables the driver to advance along a road, and if suddenly made aware of the presence of the

ror to submerge the character of a people devoted to individual freedom and national independence.

enemy, to shift gears, skew himself round sideways in a self-adjusting seat, and make away at top speed.

This is a vital consideration since the dingo's job is to carry a platoon commander on a personal

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reconnaissance, or convey dispatches at times when the tanks are preserving wireless silence.

## Radio In Every Tank

Because of the speedy intercommunication, essential between the armoured units, a wireless transmitter and receiver are strung out on every tank. At times, however, it is either inappropriate or impossible to use them.

The motor battalion is a new feature of Britain's armoured division, each of which is now a self-contained formation, comprising a proportion of all arms and its supporting services, which are needed for fighting on its own.

The motor battalion has important duties to discharge. It is a force of infantry carried by motor transport, fighting on foot, and required to be capable of doing a long route march in case of necessity.

It has the responsibility for seeing that the tanks are not frittered away in an attack—clearing the way for them, overcoming anti-tank opposition, and making sure that the tank commanders—gentlemen with a prodigious amount to think about—get as much rest as possible—particularly at night when they are "in harbour."

The same considerations apply in withdrawal, and the motor battalion provides an armoured brigade commander with means, under his own administration, of covering his retreat.

General Wavell's whirlwind offensive has been a tale of the Royal Armoured Corps thrusting unexpectedly through to the Italian areas, turning toward the coast to strike from flank and rear, as well as the front, severing com-

munications, throwing supports into confusion, keeping the foe from effective reorganisation by rapid sustained advance of bomber-aided armoured fighting vehicles, while truck-borne infantry rushed up to consolidate the positions gained, to subdue the points of stubborn resistance, and to round up the prisoners.

To appreciate how this new force has come about, one needs to consider a transformation that has taken place in Britain's land forces here and in the Middle East since the fall of France, which cost the British expeditionary force all its mechanical equipment.

The only redeeming feature of the defeat in North France was that it caused compulsory re-equipment of the British Army on absolutely the most modern lines. This process now has been carried so far that military authorities tell me they believe Britain possesses in its Royal Armoured Corps, tanks and other armoured vehicles at least as good as or possibly superior in certain respects to those at Germany's disposal.

## Proof Of Efficiency

Operations in the western desert have provided the first real illustration of what the Royal Armoured Corps' formations can do in attack. In France, the Royal Armoured Corps was responsible for divisional reconnaissance, but it was then—as an eyewitness expressed it—"all over the shop," the Army Tank Brigade being north of the Somme and Britain's only armoured division being south of that river.

Not only were these two components of the corps separated instead of being united in action, but the motor battalion, which should have been an integral part of the armoured division, was north of the Somme and certain other detachments were lacking as well.

Despite the persistent threat of a possible invasion of Britain by Germany, many tanks and other equipment have been sent out to Egypt and, to cite Marshal Graziani's report: "It was in the crushing superiority of the armoured units, which were employed en masse, that the reason for the enemy's initial success was to be found."



MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



# Oolong And Charlesber For the Derby

(By "Rapier")

FOLLOWING ITS convincing win in the Maiden Stakes to-day, T.K.L.'s Oolong must be considered first chance for the Hong Kong Derby to-morrow, although Marber's Charlesber which has not yet been out must be regarded as a real danger, judging from Palber's excellent run in the Maidens.

## SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES WINNERS

Following have won the Sydney Maiden Stakes during the past 10 years:

- 1931 Woodland Stag (Quincey) in 1.25.0.
- 1932 Chantle (Heard) in 1.23.2 (record) First Section. Sunlight (Hill) in 1.24.4 Second Section.
- 1933 Night Star (Li) in 1.22.3.
- 1934 Bronze Era (Dunz) in 1.21.3 First Section. Able Amazon (D. S. Li) in 1.21.1 (record) Second Section.
- 1935 Derby Day (Pih) in 1.19.3 (equals record) First Section. Rose Ann (Needa) in 1.20.1 Second Section.
- 1936 Holiday Eve (Needa) in 1.23.1 First Section. Strathroy (Black) in 1.22.2 Second Section.
- 1937 Gypsy Love (D. S. Li) in 1.21.1 First Section. Lancashire Chips (Pih) in 1.17.4 Second Section.
- 1938 Tornado Star (Marshall) in 1.21.2 First Section. Criffel (Pote-Hunt) in 1.20.3 Second Section.
- 1939 Cocklehol (Needa) in 1.19.1 First Section. Victory Day (Tao) in 1.22.0 Second Section.

Charlesber and Palber are both, of course, from the Marber stable and as Charlesber is considered to be much the better pony, Palber's third is a fair indication of what may be expected from his stable companion.

Lovelylight, erstwhile favourite, looked a bit stiff during to-day's race and it would cause no surprise if Velvetlight, which is almost as good, were sent out to-morrow to carry Ciro's colours. Velvetlight, however, has a reputation for a weak last quarter, which is a distinct handicap in a guinea race of this kind.

World Fair View is unlikely to do better than place fourth. World Fair View was so badly left at the start in the Trial Plate that it was impossible to judge his form. Similarly with the winner, Velvetlight, which was never really under pressure.

The more prominent starters are likely to be:

LOVELYLIGHT (NOODT).  
OOLONG (NEEDA).  
CHARLESBER (CHAO).  
IRON BEAUTY (WEI).  
VELVETLIGHT (MOLLER).  
WORLD FAIR VIEW (PIH).

1940 Australian Diamond (Tao) in 1.17.4. First Section. Sapper (Encarnacao) in 1.17.4. Second Section. Far View (Pih) in 1.16.2 (equals record). Third Section.

## NATIONAL COURAGE INJURED

MR. W. H. YEUNG, WHO RACES UNDER THE NAME OF "WHY" IS UNFORTUNATE THIS YEAR IN THAT HIS CHINA GRIFFINS ARE NOT YET ABSOLUTELY READY FOR THE STRAIN OF RACING AND THE CHANCES ARE THAT HIS FAMILIAR RACING COLOURS WILL PROBABLY NOT BE AS CONSPICUOUS DURING RACE WEEK AS WAS THE CASE IN FORMER YEARS.

These ponies, National Confidence, National Integrity and National Resistance, however, should make their presence felt later in the season.

Speaking of his Australian griffin, Mr. Yeung said that National Courage, which had looked like a good thing, met with an accident some 10 days ago during an early morning gallop and as a result has been on the walking list ever since.

With careful nursing the leg should mend sufficiently before the end of the first half of the season.

Mr. Yeung's other Australian griffin is National Reform, but the owner described this animal as a "so-so" short distance pony. On his Australian subscription griffin National Blessing Mr. Yeung said "this pony is no use at all."

### Off Its Feed

Mr. Yeung also referred to his old ponies, saying that the Australian "sub" National Victory has not been eating well and as for the rest of his stable they were in "E" class, for which no races were included in the Annual Meeting programme.

Mr. Yeung's ponies will be ridden by Mr. B. L. Tao, while the owner's brother, Mr. Yeung Wing-kwai, who is still in the Novice class, will be second string jockey for this stable.

THIS YEAR'S DERBY, ACCORDING TO MR. YEUNG, SHOULD BE FOUGHT OUT BETWEEN FOUR PONIES, OOLONG, WORLD FAIR VIEW, LOVELYLIGHT AND CHARLESBER. HE ADDED THAT THE OTHER ENTRIES COULD BE DISCOUNTED AND THAT THE 1941 CLASSIC SHOULD TURN OUT TO BE ONE OF THE BEST DERBIES EVER SEEN ON THE LOCAL TRACK.

## MR. HOPKINS AT WHITE HOUSE

President Roosevelt and Mr. Harry Hopkins, who has just returned to America after spending a month in England as the President's special envoy, conferred during dinner at the White House last night.

The President will have the benefit of information which Mr. Hopkins has been able to impart when he confers with congressional leaders this morning prior to the opening of the debate in the Senate on the Aid to Britain Bill. — Reuter.

## SIXTEEN SHIPS LOST IN TAGUS

Sixteen ships have been sunk in the Tagus by an 80-mile-an-hour gale and waves 20 feet high, says Reuter from Lisbon.

# Nomine Poenae Easy First Choice

(By "Rapier")

DESPITE THE FACT that he did not record a win to-day, Nomine Poenae, which threw its rider at the milepost when leading the field, is still considered the best prospect for to-morrow's Austral Derby.

Marsh Warbler, another fancied candidate, did not get on very well on the wet track to-day, but it may do better to-morrow if conditions are lighter underfoot. He ran to-day well below his form and expectations.

First Love, lucky winner of the Austral Trial Plate to-day, showed form suggesting that he might be somewhere near at the finish.

King's Welcome which came fourth in the Austral Maidens suffered from a bad start and is almost certain to give a better account of itself to-morrow, over the longer distance, especially as V. V. Needa will be riding.

Distant View, winner of the Austral Maidens, is unlikely to start in the Austral Derby. Lan's colours will probably be carried by Pearly View which obviously does not like heavy going.

Vis Major was disappointing over the sprint distance, but may find a mile and a half more to its liking.

Nomine Poenae, if he behaves, should win, comfortably.

The more prominent starters are likely to be:

A HAPPY TIME (HOLDEN).  
NOMINE POENAE (CHAO).  
MARSH WARBLER (BLACK).  
KING'S WELCOME (NEEDA).  
DISTANT VIEW (PIH).

FIRST LOVE (LIANG).  
GAY FOX (DAVIS).  
NATIONAL COURAGE (TAO).  
STARLIGHT (NOODT).  
THE 19TH HOLE (HEARNE).  
VIS MAJOR (SOKOLOFF).

## MAIDEN STAKES WINNERS

Following have won the Maiden Stakes during the past 10 years:

- 1931—Mr. W. T. Stanton's Tom (Stanton) in 1.29.4.
- 1932—Messrs. Kong Bros.' Lunar Star (Li) in 1.28.4.
- 1933—Mr. H. S. Chan and S. W. Tang's Cossack's Beauty (Heard) in 1.29.2.
- 1934—Mr. Li Shiu-pang's Soldier of Britain (Sun) in 1.30.1.
- 1935—Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rousseau (Needa) in 1.31.3.
- 1936—Mrs. Dunbar's Bear Claw (Frost) in 1.32.4.
- 1937—Mr. Li Po-chun's Expansion Time (Pote-Hunt) in 1.28.0.
- 1938—Mr. Ciro's Silkyllight (Moller) in 1.27.1.
- 1939—Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rose Elect (Encarnacao) in 1.23.4 (record).
- 1940—Mr. Ciro's Spicyllight (Moller) in 1.22.4 (record).



Winner of the Sydney Maidens (First Section), United Express ridden by Lo Kul-ying, is shown above being led in this morning.

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# WILD RUMOURS IN THAILAND

## Hinting At Imminence Of Far Eastern Flare-Up

### JAPAN'S ADVANCE SOUTH

Japan's advance southward has been spurred on by the British and American policy of aiding the Chungking regime and antagonising Japan, declared the Tokyo "Nichi-Nichi Shimbun" yesterday.

The newspaper continues: "Britain and Australia believe Japan will begin to move south in concert with Germany's Spring offensive but Japan's move south began when Japan announced the necessity for constructing an East Asiatic sphere."

It declares that rumours that conditions in the Far East are assuming serious proportions are only strategic British propaganda, and it describes the United States Government's advice to American residents to evacuate the Far East as one of the causes of "such wild and groundless rumours."

THE NEWSPAPER CONCLUDES: "SO LONG AS AMERICA HINDERS JAPAN'S ADVANCE SOUTHWARD SHE IS DESTINED TO ENCOUNTER JAPAN'S STOUT OPPOSITION." — REUTER.

### TO THE VERY LAST

The Japanese policy is to seek a solution of the "life and death problem" of her interests in the South Seas "through peaceful negotiations to the very last."

So the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Ohashi, told the audit committee of the Lower House in Tokyo.

Mr. Ohashi pointed out that to attempt to achieve the zone through force would bring destruction "with unavoidable effects to Japan." — Reuter.

### SHANGHAI SENSATION

The two leading American banks in Shanghai, the National City Bank and the Chase Bank, announce that they are cancelling all cheque accounts from March 1 "as a precautionary measure," and will now carry all accounts on a savings deposit basis. — Reuter.

## Bangkok Carries On Undisturbed

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

### WILLKIE MAY COME TO FAR EAST

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington papers carried big head-lines yesterday in connection with a trip to China which Mr. Wendell Willkie is said to be contemplating, similar to the trip he made to England.

Mr. Willkie has indicated, however, that he has not yet reached a decision regarding the suggestion. — International News Service.

### RAPID ADVANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") DRIVING THE RETREATING ITALIAN TROOPS BEFORE THEM BRITISH MOTORISED TROOPS ARE SPEEDILY PUSHING ON TOWARDS MOGADISCIO FROM KISMAYU. — INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

### JAPANESE CONSCRIPT COOLIES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") THE JAPANESE MILITARY AUTHORITIES IN SHANGHAI ARE CONSCRIPTING COOLIES TO ATTEND TO A LARGE NUMBER OF ARMY HORSES AND PONIES WHICH HAVE BEEN ARRIVING FROM THE INTERIOR.

It was stated yesterday that these animals are destined for Hainan Island and other Japanese occupied areas in South China.

Yesterday two transports left Shanghai taking some of the animals south. — Our Own Correspondent.

### CONDITION OF EX-KING ALFONSO

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") The condition of ex-King Alfonso of Spain is again critical as his family, including the estranged Queen Ena, gather at his bedside in Rome.

Alfonso was visited yesterday by the Italian Crown Prince Humberto. — International News Service.

ALARMIST AND CONFLICTING REPORTS HAVE BEEN CIRCULATING THROUGHOUT THAILAND DURING THE WEEK-END, ASSIDUOUSLY FED FROM OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY, HINTING AT THE IMMINENCE OF A FAR EASTERN FLARE-UP AND THE POSSIBILITY OF A BRITISH INVASION ACROSS THE MALAYA BORDER, SAYS REUTER'S BANGKOK CORRESPONDENT.

Despite these sensational rumours, Bangkok spent a very quiet Sunday and the Government has done its best to make it abundantly clear that there is no menace whatever from the British side of Thailand's borders.

No external signs of anything abnormal in the air is visible in Bangkok.

Holiday-makers went to the seaside resorts as usual for the weekend and the public parks yesterday were full of life and laughter with the usual Sunday crowds, men, women and children, taking the evening air.

With a view to clearing any possible misunderstanding, the Government has announced that the Japanese Foreign Minister has informed the Thai Government that the extension of the Indo-China truce ends at 10 a.m. Bangkok time, on February 25.

### British Concentration

International News reports from Shanghai quote Japanese estimates that Britain has 20,000 troops and 150 planes concentrated on the Malaya-Thailand border. The Japanese Press alleges that Britain has begun an "economic offensive" against Thailand, by restricting exports to that country.

### Advice To Britons

The official advice to British citizens that they should leave Thailand must be read as a wise precaution, not as proof of imminent danger, declares the London "Daily Telegraph" in an editorial this morning.

The paper adds: "When Hitler boasts of the number of people under the Axis whip we should remember that the delegates from the eastern and southern quarters of the British Empire at the Delhi Conference represented a population of 416,000,000, with a trade of £1,300,000,000 a year."

"Their war strength undeveloped was as formidable as Italy has bitterly complained. Their geographical position enables them to distribute their growing power just where it is most needed for the security of the Empire."

### Arsenal of Empire

"To frustrate the menace of a southern drive of Japanese Nazism towards Singapore and Australia, Australia has not only fighting men of supreme quality but sufficient industries behind them and is all out on a huge production plan."

"Yet Australia is only one of

the arsenals of Empire which can supply a campaign in the Pacific."

The "Telegraph" proceeds to refer to the industrial resources of India and South Africa, and adds: "The Japanese Government may well reflect on this amplitude of supplies."

"THERE SHOULD YET BE ENOUGH WISDOM IN TOKYO TO DISOBEY HITLER'S ORDER FOR NATIONAL SUICIDE." — REUTER.

### MILITARY ALLIANCE REPORT

BRITAIN IS NEGOTIATING WITH CHUNGKING FOR A MILITARY ALLIANCE, SAYS THE BANGKOK CORRESPONDENT OF THE TOKYO "YOMIURI SHIMBUN."

The proposed alliance, says the correspondent, is aimed at establishing joint Anglo-Chinese defence in the Far East and would provide the enlistment of Chinese in the South Seas in the British Army. — Reuter.

### NO HURRY TO LEAVE

DESPITE THE EVACUATION ADVICE BRITONS AND AMERICANS IN YOKOHAMA, NUMBERING OVER 1,000, SHOW NO SIGNS OF LEAVING JAPAN, STATES THE "HOCHI SHIMBUN."

It is understood that Britons and Americans who have already returned home since September totalled only 140.

Foreign companies are said to be carrying on as usual. — Reuter.

### PARACHUTE RAID

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Commenting on the Italian radio announcement that certain lines of communication between North and South Italy have been restored, the Rome correspondent

### BLACK SEA WATERS MINED BY "ROMANIA"

Bucharest radio yesterday warned merchant shipping in the Black Sea that Rumanian territorial waters 15 miles north and south of Constanza have been mined.

It was announced that vessels enter the zone at their own peril unless they receive instructions from the Rumanian Navy. — International News Service.

## BRITISH EMBASSY ADVICE

The British Embassy in Shanghai issued a notice to-day renewing the advice given last October to Britons to evacuate occupied China.

The following is the text of the press release issued by the Embassy:

"It will be recalled that in October last the British authorities advised enquirers that any British subjects who had no good reason for remaining should consider the advisability of leaving occupied China. This advice still holds good."

"The decision whether to leave or remain and any consequent arrangements must be made individually according to personal circumstances."

"In coming to a decision, however, it must be realised that it will almost certainly be impossible to provide special facilities for departure at short notice."

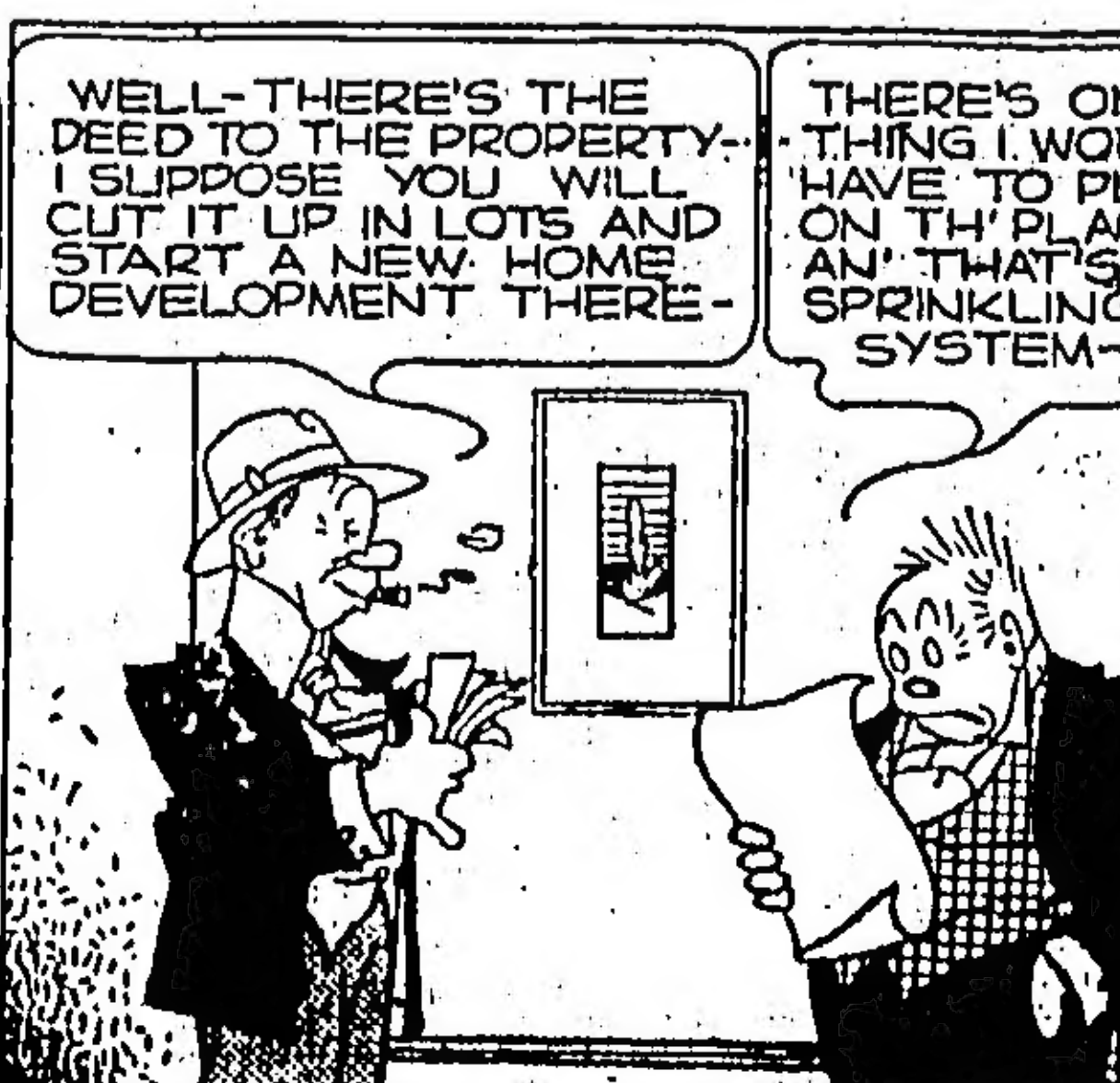
"It should also be borne in mind that Far Eastern shipping services are already seriously curtailed and accommodation in ocean-going ships is limited, and booking should be made well in advance of sailing dates." — Reuter.

### WENDELL WILLKIE

Quoting the Associated Press from New York a semi-official Japanese report says that Mr. Wendell Willkie is considering a visit to Free China. — Reuter.

of the "N. Y. Times" says that no denial has been issued of reports of the damage done by the British parachute troops in Calabria. — International News Service.

### Bringing Up Father



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By George MacManus



# UNUSUAL INCIDENTS

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Mr. Holden had his leg crushed during a false start. He had to dismount, but remounted and was actually first away from the gate. Black Seal, however, passed him on the bend into the home straight and appeared a certain winner until Amulet Star came through with a great burst of speed to snatch an unexpected win. Bugle was fourth.

## Moller Crack Beaten

The clash between Lovelylight, the Cere Stable crack, and Oolong was an unexpected one and the result was even more surprising. Oolong winning by five lengths after taking the lead in the home stretch.

Lovelylight was first out of the barrier, followed by Oolong and Palber, which three fought out the finish. Wonderful Scheme was fourth.

National Resistance was stopped in the home straight and it was later discovered that it had ruptured a tendon. It was taken off the course in the horse van. It was also rumoured that Lively View finished lame.

## Led All The Way

Distant View (Mr. Pih) was made a raging hot favourite for the Austral Maiden Stakes and, getting away to a flying start, it led all the way round to win by three lengths from Vis Major, with Starlight third and King's Welcome fourth.

Canberra made a determined bid in the back straight, but, after challenging Distant View strongly up to the 1 1/4 mile gate, it faded out of the picture and finished sixth.

A Luxurious Time was badly left at the start, which was not a good one.

## Pony Destroyed

The Coral Handicap provided the first accident. Jungle Princess, belonging to Mr. S. W. Chan and ridden by Mr. D. C. Woo, coming down at the Golf Club corner.

As it was lying last in the field of nine starters it must have crossed its legs and come down. Both pony and rider lay motionless on the ground, and it took the Jockey Club officials all their time

to remove them to the side of the track before the rest of the field passed the winning post.

The doctor's flag was immediately hoisted over the Judge's Box, and it was later announced that Mr. Woo was only badly shaken. The pony was destroyed on the track and the carcass removed in the horse van.

The race itself provided H.F. Major-General A. E. Grasett's Sapper (Mr. Davis up) with an easy win over Far View, with Viceroy third and Australian Diamond fourth.

## A Bad Start

The heavily-backed Bendemeer (Mr. Needa) was cut of the gate like a flash in the third section of the Sydney Maidens, but it lacked a winning finish and did well to finish fourth.

National Welfare, five lengths behind Bendemeer on entering the back straight, slowly caught up and eventually took the lead at the 1 1/4-mile starting gate to go on and win convincingly from Happy Returns, which had a poor start, with the hot favourite Vilam M. treated even worse at the start, third.

The start was a bad one, Bendemeer being at the football stands before the last pony had got away from the six furlongs gate.

## Left Badly

World Fair View, one of the main candidates for to-morrow's Derby, was left badly at the start of the Trial Plate, and was 20 lengths behind when passing the turn for the first time. Velvetlight, holding the rails, and Eve of Deception and Raconteur on the outside, were in a straight line at this point but coming into the back stretch Raconteur took the lead, with Velvetlight half a length behind and Eve of Deception some five lengths in the rear. This order was maintained till coming into the home stretch when Raconteur bored out badly and lost valuable ground, Velvetlight going on to win comfortably from Eve of Deception.

## Favourite Wins

The favourite won the Bendigo Handicap when Fair Chance, ridden

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O-lan, V. V. Needa up, which caused a big upset in the first race of the day, being led in this morning. He broke the course record for a mile and three-quarters by more than six seconds.

# ITALIANS IN U.S. PROTEST

Two thousand Italians and Italian Americans — 80 per cent. of them men — attended a big anti-Fascist meeting organised by the Mazzini Society at the Cooper Union Hall in New York last night.

Professor Salvemini, after paying a tribute to President Roosevelt, said: "If Hitler wins Italy becomes a German colony."

"The Italian people have not been defeated. The King, Mussolini, the last two Popes and Cardinals have been defeated."

"Italians refuse to fight in a dishonest war."

Max Ascoli, President of the Society, said that the freedom and unity won by Italy had been taken away from her people who had been fooled by Fascism.

He added: "Now is the time for Italians throughout America to aid the Anglo-Saxon ideal. It is up to those who have Anglo-Saxon liberty to teach the Italians of Italy what freedom really is."

—Reuter.

# NAZI AIR RAIDS

There has been little enemy air activity over England since yesterday.

Towards nightfall last night a single enemy aircraft dropped a bomb on a north-east coast town where a few houses were damaged and a small number of casualties resulted.

At about the same time bombs were dropped in East Anglia, causing neither damage nor casualties.

An Air Ministry communique says there was nothing to report during the night. — Reuter.

den by Mr. Wei, won by 1 1/2 lengths from Springhurst, with Vixen Tor third and Many Thanks fourth.

Rowan and Income Tax set the pace early on but Income Tax soon dropped out of the race and Rowan faded out of the picture on the bend into the home stretch. Vixen Tor might very easily have won had it not bored out on this same bend.

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## 12.—AUSTRALIAN VALLEY STAKES.—One Mile.

Shields & Stantons' Manhatan, 149 lb. (H. J. A. Hearne) 1  
S. W. Lee's Jus Gentium, 150 lb. (M. M. Sokoloff) 2  
Mrs. Chuong Ho Yen's Endeavour, 152 lb. (P. T. Wei) 3  
24 Starters. Won by 4 lengths; 3 lengths. Time: 25.4; 52.4; 1.22; 1.48.  
Parl-mutuel winner \$51.10; places, 1st \$9.90; 2nd \$36.70; 3rd \$6.10.

## Cash Sweep

No 2943 \$2545.20  
" 881 727.20  
" 3645 636.60  
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos: 5514, 215, 1959, 2122, 4575, 5707, 653, 3071, 6354, 257, 728, 825, 2082, 391, 2968, 1791, 3169, 5540, 3882, 6275, 3801.

The Daily Double combination — Sapper and National Welfare — paid \$81.70.

Endeavour, a red-hot favourite in the Australian Valley Stakes, was beaten in a big field, being no less than seven lengths behind the winner, though it was boxed in early on and could not come through.

At the Golf Club corner The Koala Bear went down, unseating its rider, Mr. S. W. Tang, who was removed from the course in an unconscious condition.

# HUGE FIRE RAGES AT SANTANDER

A huge conflagration broke out around Santander harbour early this morning. Upwards of 200 buildings are ablaze.

First news of the fire was brought to Madrid by motor cyclists carrying appeals from the Civil Governor of the city for help and supplies.

All fire brigades from Madrid, Valencia, Valladolid, Burgos, San Sebastian and Bilbao were immediately despatched to Santander.

A large quantity of supplies and a detachment of army and police were sent to the burning city from Burgos.

At the height of the blaze communications with Santander were cut and it is difficult to get latest details about casualties. It is known, however, that one has been killed and several injured.

It is believed the fire was caused by a burning tanker. — Reuter.

# NO RETURN TO PRE-WAR WORLD

In the course of a speech at Tonypany yesterday Mr. Clement Attlee stressed to his audience that there could be no return to the pre-war world and the new world would have to be planned for.

With all the destruction British economic power remained and must be used on the right lines.

"I would stress the point," he continued, "that after this war has been successfully ended our production power will be greater than ever and it is upon a foundation of properly planned organised people that the future welfare of the world will rest."

Concluding the Lord Privy Seal spoke of the Means Test Bill which, he said, had swept away the old conception that the care of those rendered indigent through circumstances outside their own control was a responsibility on the community.

"We have laid down a line as to what should be considered a reasonable standard of life. This is a great and far-reaching change of social policy." — British Wireless.

## RUGBY SEVENS

12th Heavy "B" 3 Civil Service 12  
R. Engineers 13 5th A.A. "A" 5  
5th A.A. "B" 0 Combined S.U. "A" 9  
"Police "B" v R. Scots "A"  
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